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Record of Town Meetings in

Eastham,

From 1654, to 1745.

Carefully Transcribed from the
Old Records in Orleans,
In accordance with a Vote of the
Town, in A. D. 1855 & 6,

By W. Doane 2nd,
Town Clerk of Eastham.

Vol. 1.

100820-b Eastham, MA Town Meeting 1654-1754

Explanatory Remarks.

In the year 1797 the South precinct in Eastham was set off & incorporated by the name of Orleans; at which time the old records of Eastham were, by agreement, transferred to, and became the property of the new town. This wrong act of our fathers having occasioned much trouble & inconvenience both to the town and to individuals, a proposition was made to the town in Nov. 1855 to procure a copy of the most important parts of the records & the subscriber was authorised to do the work.

These "Old Records" are comprised in four bound Volumes, and one unbound one, very closely written, & all in a pretty good state of preservation except the last, which is much decayed by time. Two of these are devoted to records of Land & Meadow Grants, two to records of Town Meetings, & one to Marriages Births & Deaths.

The first Book is written in a very antiquated style, which renders the reading of it very tedious & difficult. The dates of this book are very confused, having no chronological order of arrangement; one Clerk making an entry at the top of the page, and succeeding ones filling up the blank spaces in after years, presenting various hand writings on the same page, & great confusion of dates.

The transcriber has labored to bring order & regularity from this chaotic mass, & has succeeded in arranging nearly all the dates in Chronological order.

Some words in the original could not be decyphered these are indicated by a cross x; The spelling has been carefully retained in this transcript, which to a modern eye gives many words a singular appearance. Words left out of the original are supplied sometimes for the sake of sense; these are enclosed in brackets (—) as also Keys to some (xx) words.

Every thing has been extracted from this venerable relic (the Book) which can possibly interest any one, excepting the numerous "ear-marks" of horses, sheep, cattle &c. which are found mingled with the records through a period of many years.

H. Doane 2d.

Eastham, March 1856

Records of Town Meetings, 1654—1745.

First Book.

May 13 1654: It is granted — Robert Wiuam shall have the westmeddow lying betweene the beach and the crick to the harbours mouth at Namskeket.

Granted to William Twining Jun. two acres of meddow lying near the head of Great Namskeket.

Granted to Richard Knowles two acres of meddow lying on the further side of Little Namskaket next below the meddow of Gill Hobkins.

Granted to Daniell Cole six acres of land on the further side of the cove upon the hill adjoyning to Goodman Bangs his dwelling house.

Lands Meadow grants. Granted to Stephen Wood an enlargement of meddow at the poynt of pines in the Boat meddow below the meddow called the x x x x

Granted to Richard Boosh op (Bishop) the meddow & all the sedge ground on the Island at the harbours mouth of the Boatmeddow.

Granted to Daniell Cole a piece of land lying at the head of Johns fields, so called, to come from the head of the lots there formerly laid out to a bottom at the corner of the swamp, & to come three rod above the marked tree that was between the lots formerly apertaining to Edward Bangs & Mr. John Doane.

Granted to Thomas Roberts a slip of meddow lying beside the range of Nicholes Snow his land on Pochet neck.

Granted to Richard Bishop an Island of meddow lying about the middle of the meddow at Bleachfish crick, over against the meddow of William Twining junior.

Granted to Richard Bishop four acres of upland to be laid out on Pochet Neck on the southward side of the land of Josiah Cooke.

Mar. 11 1656 This 11th of March 1656 layd out by Nicholas Snow, Mr. John Freeman and Daniell Cole to Richard Sparrow twenty acres of upland lying about the Stage neck one point ranging from a marked tree between two swamps towards the sea to a marked tree for the length of it, and at the lower end to a marke tree for the breath of it, And laid out to Ralph Smith

1656 fourteen acres of upland on the Easterly side thereof of Richard Shaw's land to the marked trees.

This 11th March 1656 laid out by Nicholas Snow, Mr. John Freeman & Daniell Cole to Mark Snow, twenty acres of upland upon the Stage neck beginning att the cove, & is a parcell of land by the others which goeth down by the further side of Sam'l Cole fro[m] Richard Shaw his land, and so by the sea along by the Sea side to a stake from thence towards where the Stage hath been made.

Granted to Daniell Cole upon the account of Samuel Hix his land upon the occasion that the said Daniell Cole have bought all the lands due to the said Samuell two acres of upland upon the poynt in Johnfield, soe called, to be next to the lands all redy layde out.

Granted to Richard Knowles the small poynt of land at the further side of the head of the Cove soe far as thereby the highway be not prejudiced.

Granted to William Twining sen. five acres of upland which his son William doth possess, and that he shall have 5 acres more at the head of their two lots.

Granted to Job Cole eight acres of land lying upon the further side of the Cove over against the dwelling house of Mr. John Deane & thereabants

Granted to Giles Hopkins six acres of upland on the further side of the Cove.

Granted to Daniell Cole four acres of upland on account of Samuell Smith his land, being one of the small divisions formerly due to him.

Granted to Richard Higgins for the use of John Yates twenty acres of upland to be layd out on that neck of land called Ralph Smiths neck.

Granted to Daniell Cole an acre of meadow on the account of Samuell Hicks his land to be layd out about Billings gate.

1658 Ordered by the Town of Eastham at a Com[m]on meeting Nov. 6th 1658 that noe man of the inhabitants of Eastham shall keep any swine after the September next ensuing the

and the Inds to the Town, and the owners of
those Swine yt goe in the woods aforesd are to
use a good Ring in the nose of each Swine
as Swine shall doe in the interim.

also to be prized when sould

Clarke shall have four pence for ordering the m

three pence for every Swine forfeited they exceed
not four of any man's.

Ordered all the same meetings wth the Town

1658 Att a Town meeting December 14th. 1658
Agreed yt Mr. Prince and Edward Bass
furniture for them, and they to forfeit the
men and two horses soe long as ye furniture

Commons pasture, the Town proceeding

and the house

[illegible] shall have a dwelling on the meadow Bass pond containing half an acer, he it [illegible]

Granted att the same meeting vnt Thomas Paine shall have a peece of Common meadow lying betweene Thomas Paines meadow and [illegible] his meadow in the East meadow.

Granted att the same meeting vnt John Lawton, for his house, provided he clear it in [illegible]

Granted att the same meeting vnt George [illegible]

Ordered att the same meeting vnt Mr. Thomas Prince Nicholas Snow & Lieutenant Rogers [illegible]

Ordered at the same meeting vnt the Clerk [illegible]

one

[illegible] a Town meeting Februarie 17th 1657

Promised freely by Mr. Thomas Prince vnto a man and horse wth Complete furnit for the Countries service for two yeares on his [illegible] house and main both compleate furniture [illegible] Snow & Nicholas Rogers, according to order

1657. At a Town meeting the 20th of July 1657. It is ordered

(Oct. 2)
1653

(Oct. 2)
1653

(illegible)

and neer to mend the Common road lying at the head of the fields from the mill to the end of their bounds towards Yarmouth, & Mr. John Deane and [illegible] shewn by the appoyntment of the aforesaid for the present yeare.

[illegible]

Att a Town meeting Nov.r 6th 1660. Ordered that whosoever shall finde a whale w.thin (within) this Townshipp & make it if need require, & give notice to the Counsell and to his next neighbour, shall have two shares of this paines, and soe every one is to give notice to [illegible]

Dec.r 13 1660

[illegible] Provided that if any shall neglect any part in convenience that all the Townsmen shall meet to cutt up any drift whale yt comes in. [illegible] nor ordered yt any four men the Town shall [illegible] yt shall cutt up any whale lying with [illegible] almost three pounds, & those men yt [illegible] for the damage to the Town.

Ralph Smith, Jonathan [illegible]

[illegible]

Feb.y

[illegible] a Town meeting Februarie 8th 1660. Ordered the land at Monamoye (Monomoy)

July 11th 1661

Clarence & Richard Spencer which is a matter ad-
ded — always provided that Edmund Compeak

(The following should have been placed under the
date of 1658 A. D.)

for the Drum — — — 3 — 00 — 00
John Young to James — — —
the Indians killing of wolves — 10 — 00 — 00

These sums aforenamed are all discharged
per 27th 1659.

1659 A Rate for the Yeare 1659.

for the Magistrates table — 1 — 7 0

— 0 — 03 — 10

May the
1660 ordered that Nicholas Snow, & Daniell Cole
shall veiw the lands that was given to Sam-
uell Fay by them to be determined.

It is ordered that Mr Thomas Prince and
set forward and encourage the Indi-
whatsoever they shall doe in this respect more
than is allowed by the court, the Court will re-
ward it good to them.

mill upon the Townships Charges our

1 & Clarence

the island commonly called the Lord's Island
[illegible] and upon [illegible] consent, and that it for a whale
[illegible] made, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
the whole or any part of it for his own use and [illegible]

In reference to an Order of Court dated 4th
[illegible] [illegible]
Common Stock shall warne any such as
shall come into the Town, that they may
not cause to except against it aforesaid, in
manner shall otherwise dispose.
the Town will [illegible] three weeks to carry their corn
to mill [illegible] every other week, and to the
second week in March, as also the
[illegible]
to the mill, and what they shall agree
[illegible]
[illegible] of any forreiners, neither direct
or cause for every head,

Dec 8th
1652

[illegible]
ake that shall come within the bounds of
[illegible] to the [illegible]
Town to have one whale, and the other half
the future; as also it is already [illegible] that the
shall have the first whale, and if there
this should be equally divided to the whole
[illegible] [illegible]
Town, that all look out for the next, otherwise
[illegible]
[illegible] and to the deacon for his use.

May 22 1665 Att a Town meeting held the 22 of May 1665,

Constable Hewick, Henry Atkins, Surveiors,

Att a Town meeting it is agreed that the Town
man shall buy Dry cattle of ye Inhabs dwelt.

Att a Town meeting the 1st of March — for-
bidden shillings to be allowed him which the
Rate in consideration of the bargain abo-
written about the horse.

March 18 1666 Att a Town meeting this following, were
by the Town
Jonathan Sparrow
Josiah Cooke } Deputies
Robert Wixam Constab
Ralph Smith

1667 Att a
were then were chosen men
these were to make the rate for the Countrie

January 1667 Att a Town meeting
Chosen by the Town to be Commissioners to make
the Countrie rate
men prayers
on, John Doane, Jo Mark Snow,

Feb 25 1668 Att a Town meeting held the 25th of Feb. 1668.
These persons (chosen) are chosen to be overseers
the Town Stocke
and Sparrow.

The Town hath chosen
and Thomas Paine
George Crispe Grandjurymen.

[illegible] Indian called Tuscon by the name of Natta-
mocksett. This horse is 5 years old & [illegible]

[illegible] A horse of a Chestnut Colour 2 years old [illegible]

[illegible] are. This horse is sold by Samuell Hammond to
an Indian called Francis, and delivered ac-
cording to order of Court.

[illegible] at Order, by Abigail Doane, to an Indian ca-
lled Hosses, One Ox, horse, Horse one mare
& skills in the fore side of the meare one, a star
[illegible] Nostrill, Remmarkable on the meare hee

[illegible] Indt: fourteen shillings in money, accord-
ing to order (as)

Jan: 20. 16[illegible]2 (See page 19)

[illegible] Mark Swan,

[illegible] a note from the Towne Clarke of the dessents of such
[illegible] towne the other halfe and if the Constable
[illegible] to gather up the fines of those [illegible]
he [illegible] he is to be liable to pay such fines

[illegible] It is agreed by the Court that Jonathan
Hanaw shall have the highway to his house
[illegible] Doane & John Doane as much ground

[illegible]

March
16[illegible] At a Court ... [illegible] the 12th day of [illegible]
16[illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

At a Court ... [illegible]
16[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible]

April
16[illegible] At a Court ... [illegible] the 12th of [illegible]

[illegible]

At a Court ... [illegible] the 21st of March 16[illegible]

[illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [

[illegible] on or before the last day of May ensuing the
date [illegible]

[illegible] time of sunset, or morning time, except the killing
(or the killing) whom it may concerne: Sworne
before me this 8th day of March 16[illegible]
Stephen Ahrend
Mark Swan

June 10
1674 At a Town Meeting
the 18th of June 1674

[illegible] Freeman, Brandywinemen

Robert Williams, Henry Atkins, Surveiors
for Delaware — Daniell Cotè, Nicholas [illegible]
[illegible] Mark Swan

July 21
1674 At a Towne Meeting the one and twentieth
day of July 16[illegible]
John Adame, Jonathan Dangs, Mark Swan,
Patentees &c.

[illegible] or oyster shells at Billingsgate, provided that

[illegible] town

[illegible] an order for us in an especiall way every-
thing and that promise to allow him 50
[illegible] and every (one) a sufficient load provid

[illegible] may as will [illegible] to the encouragement of the [illegible] & cloathing, and the other half in such [illegible] as will answer his [illegible] (family) [illegible]

[illegible] to act in the Town's behalf in reference to building a House for the use of the ministrie, and the Town [illegible] in specie, according to contract; as they shall engage or disburse to build and finish the S[aid] House.

[illegible] Cole, Goodman Cooke, and Goodman Watterson & Mark Snow.

The 29th of March 1675 =
The Town hath made an order that in reference to destroying of the blackbirds and crows which are [illegible] shall be worth defaelre, or else found a peece for every blackbirds short of twelve to a man: & [illegible] the whole twelve blackbirds = and their heads [illegible]

At a Town Meeting the 10th of May 1675 =
Stephen Almond delivered in a deed to the Town [illegible] said Almond by the Town.
John Almond delivered into the Town at a publick town meeting, a deed which he had of Richard Higgins wherein the House is specified which the aforesaid House stands [illegible]

The Inventory of estate of the deceased the one, and of all the written Records in the Book of Records, and also [illegible]

the other half was granted by the Lords to
Mr. Samuel Scott to him, his heirs and
assigns ——— to have and to hold the said houses=

January 16[illegible]6.

Mar. 1[illegible]
16[illegible]5 Jeffe Church Swan Tavern

The Lords hath read the petition of Richard Swan and
Swan alias Lowndes that he and his wife
& mother to joyn with him in the lease
hath begun the suit against the Mayor
& Commonalty & Citizens of London, touch-
ing the Swan Stairs & wharf that the
house & ground called the Swan Tavern
adjoyning, & whereupon the said
Swan stands, touch[illegible]ing which
the Lords hath ordered [illegible]
Swan's petition to be taken into
consideration upon the following [illegible]
at which time it is ordered that the
account shall [illegible]

The Lords hath ordered to be given to the

Jeffe Cap. Esther Justice Da

Jeffe Church

Swan

Jeffe Swan Richard Swan & Henry Allen

Feb.
16[illegible]5 The Lords hath ordered to be read the
order of Council of the 12th of Feb.
and Counsell for Richard Swan & Mr.
Lowndes

Mar.
16[illegible]5 and a Lords meeting the 12th of Feb. 16[illegible]5.
The Lords hath ordered to proceed to the
hearing

Feb.
16[illegible]5 and a Lords meeting the 14th day of Feb. 16[illegible]5.
the Lords hath ordered [illegible]

16[illegible]5 The Lords hath ordered to inquire & take [illegible]
concerning [illegible] charge about the
Swan upon the Thames [illegible]

John Deane Jun. Jurat in Dover. Mar. 8. 1675.
At the same meeting it was agreed by the Town that

the Estate when any sale is to be made, shall
pulled according to the direction of the Jurats

Feb 17 At a Town Meeting the 17th of February 1675=
1676

Soldiers to serve the Constable of Town any Da
one that man come to him about it.

16[illegible]6 At a Town meeting held the 21st of March 1675/6.
[illegible] Jurat & Surveyor for ordering Charges a[illegible]

service from the first Expedition to the Downs
ward, December 1673 until April 1676.

Mr Sumners for the Engineers Fisher Wiseman
Hamon Albinde
Mr Belsemore Scarlet Spearman, Sargent Davys,
and Allen, Ely Snow,

Charges to be a rate of 10 pounds 15 shillings
in exchange for ordering Charges during the
time Sargeant Davys, John Deane, and
Mart. Snow,

give a just and true account to the
selectmen and about the finances
of the town

[illegible]
Noah Snow
[illegible] Daniell [illegible]

At a Town Meeting the town voted & granted
the same Allowed to all the above named persons

At the same meeting granted to Mr John
Newman Sen. a small parcell of land about the

Country and town
sale for Mr Snow

this school and where he now lives between
Ray and the Cove.
also granting the town-house to
Wiggins Jr. for a small consideration

of great abuse and damage done to the towne
to gather pine Knotts and sum tar, or by
ing wood and timber therein; the towne
that no Indian or Indians shall
Knotts or sum tar or cutt wood or
in the towns common upon the penal
such pine Knotts tar, wood or tim-
gathered, sum, or cutts upon any
son or the value of the same
towne and the other half to the
me. By wood is to be under-
as shall be cutt by any Indi-
also this
any one man or woman
common after 7 days
date hereof = ffeb. 14: 1680.
Thomas, Sen. William
Thomas also, are

deceased to the three freeholders

[illegible] date March the 29th
[illegible] and to Plant in the ensuing
as the Town shall by their vote
at Daniel Coane is put in the
two persons which are dead, to wit

At the same meeting the Town hath ch-

Joseph Swan, Daniel Coane, and Sa-
muel Knowles and Benjamin Higgins to
[illegible] the subscribers of persons [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[

May
1684

June
1684

[illegible]

[illegible] this year, the time being [illegible]
[illegible] should not be done according to the
according to the direction of the law necessary and
[illegible] shillings to be paid into the
[illegible] and proceeded to the choice
of the same meeting, granted to Samuel Paine
[illegible] and Nicholas Wyborn
[illegible] that part of the
[illegible] to Samuel
[illegible]
At the same meeting, granted to Samuel Paine
[illegible] that he should be at liberty, and
the same breadth on a straight line to Gabriel Snow
[illegible]

165 [illegible] of November 1684, some persons
coming heard that there was a whale
[illegible] the Town
[illegible] Town order, whereupon a Town mee
[illegible] the 5th of November 1684,
[illegible]
[illegible] cutting, and severed; and they acc-
[illegible] Town meeting, the quantity of
[illegible] that they had severed, and
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Simon & John Doane, were appointed & ordered to agree with those that cutt up the whale fish on the beach in the time of the season and to give out [illegible] by the town to take notice of what they agreed upon at that meeting [illegible]

1685 The written [illegible] Simon and John Doane, [illegible] court concerning said fish [illegible] [illegible] said fish [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Jurors shall make [illegible] and determine any difference between those that are called Town purchasers from the Towne, in reference to [illegible] and lands within the [illegible], and what these [illegible] aforesaid with said purchasers shall determine and doe what in reference to the aforesaid premises shall be writing made of as [illegible] power unto them as in tenths and purchases as is done by the whole Towne.

[illegible] land where mantion, and to repaire bounderies where decayed, according to Towne order bearing date Feb. 8th 1681.

[illegible] agreed by the Towne that they are willing that any man in this Towne will pay an Indian [illegible] said partie, and he give him ten shillings from [illegible] ate after any such is killed, and the head [illegible] aleMakers before any such rate is [illegible] said = that is to say, two shillings and six pence for every young wolfe.

The Towne hath chosen for [illegible] ensuing yeare — Capt. [illegible] Clark Edmond — [illegible] Selectmen Capt. [illegible]

[illegible] Surveiors of the highwayes John ffreeman Jr. & Thomas Paine Jun.

[illegible] Knowles

Thomas Paine Jun. Sealer.

The Towne hath chosen for Jurymen for triall of actions at the Court [illegible] the third Tuesday of August next viz. John

1691

the towne that the

on the forfeiture of five shillings for every defect
ment to the publique the next Court, and ye
the towne have chosen for Examining ye mea

ye 4th of ye moneth
Ensign Bangs, Lieu. Smyth
& John Doanesen & Mark Cole
at the same meeting Ordered and agreed

ry in lieu of the mare that was formerly
gaged to him, and to be paid in the same
the same specie that his first payment is
made in.

At the same meeting William Walker sen.
and Tho. Smith are chosen and deputed
the towne to treat after Mr. Treats salery

more the towne

the towne
of Pelh

[illegible] to meeting
[illegible] passing their
[illegible] session, and at all times all the
[illegible] bill monies made per this year for the
[illegible] use.

At the same meeting, the town have chosen for select
[illegible]

The town have chosen Chaia of Capt. Sparrow
[illegible]
to meet with the purchasers between the to-
wn and the purchasers at Pound of Brait, which
were to report to the town touching upon the two
[illegible] to be laid out.
Capt. Sparrow and John Odlin.

At the same meeting the town have ch[illegible]
matters viz: John Coan Thomas Clay Sargent
Samuel Gardman and Elizabeth Sayer, to dista
[illegible]
[illegible] ingston for sweeping the meeting house,
[illegible]

there shall be four pounds put into the above-
rate to be paid in corn, to be at stock to pay the
killing rotten: and any Indian or English th
at shall kill a grown wolfe and bring in the
[illegible]
said wolfe was killed in this town's bounds, shall
have 20 shillings of such money [illegible];
and so proportionably for young a quarter
price.

[illegible]

the following year. Sarg. Joshua Bangs, Isaac
[illegible], and Edward Bangs.
[illegible] surveyor, heads of Nations at the Comic-
[illegible]

[illegible] Sam 6 m 8 dches of land to Moses Sam
[illegible] and Silas Wiyam to the East
[illegible] Thomas Clay & Samuel Knowles.

[illegible]

Grant of 50 acres to Gov. Endicott
& after sen. Daniel Cole [illegible]

year and Generall Court or assembly held at Bos-
ton for this Province for their Majesties service on the

the remainder of the said money to be divided to ev-
ery Towne man a like proportion; and to every a-

and Thomas Paine Jr, and Thomas Mayo, and
Mark Snow, are ordered by the Towne to divide the

Grant of
ch was formerly granted by the Towne to Jas. Mah
[illegible] = all this above said
Common Land lying between these two Ja
[illegible]
Islands; being two rocks or stones marked S.
of Land D. Timothy Cole had granted unto him

Sept 25
1693

[illegible] the reference to Lot [illegible] at South Billerica [illegible] is taken off by the line between the town and Palmer's purchase, and the town grants to Samuel Knowlton and Thomas Farmer to run it and to lay out so much land to them and

[illegible] cutting and drawing [illegible] any wood or timber

At the same meeting the town agreed with [illegible]

[illegible] by the selectmen or others without trouble, and what money he shall take for fines or trespasses in pounding and receiving, he shall have liberty upon the pounds for receiving and twelve pence upon the pounds for paying out,

[illegible]

[illegible] and for smoothing the Meeting

[illegible]

the following Court.

Granted liberty to Samuel Knowlton to exchange

[illegible] and [illegible] the ways at the meadows

[illegible]

Cardinay was accepted by the town as townsmen.

Pursuant to a warrant from the Treasurer [illegible] town have chosen Capt. Sparhawk for a commissioner

At the same meeting it was granted by the town that Samuel Knowlton should have five acres upland

[illegible] Thomas Hammond to Abraham & the meadow in lieu of the five acres which was granted to Samuel Knowlton by way of exchange last-mentioned, and that of the five men which are to have a negative vote are chosen to be [illegible] the towns of the said [illegible] to build any dwelling house upon [illegible]

[illegible] each Agent, to have due commission therefor
one half thereof to him or them that shall discover
and prosecute the same, and the other half to the use of the poore
of the town.

March 25, 1695. Council
Saml. Freeman
Thomas Hayo
Edmund Bloomer
Thomas Paine
} Selectmen.

At a Court of Sessions held at Barnstable April 2d
1695 this Order & Commission was allowed and approbated in said Court.

[illegible]

Test, Thos. Paine, Town Clerk.

1695 Mar. 9th

At a Town meeting held at Eastham March 9th 16-
95 the Town agreed and voated that the order made
[illegible]
1695 should be again revived and stand in full
force and virtue annually, with these additions and
alterations. First, that every young man that is
or himself within this township, shall kill, or
cause to be killed, 6 blackbirds or crows equi-
valent thereunto, according as specified in
said order. Secondly that the way of recon-
[illegible]
the Laws of the Province now alive[illegible]. Thirdly
that the Selectmen annually chosen, shall
be to receive the heads of the blackbirds & crows
killed as in said order is specified, and their
account to be accounted sufficient evidence to
[illegible]
are legally that he hath brought in heads
according to law. Allso, Tho. Paine Town Clerk.

1695

At a Town Meeting July 29th 1695 the Town
[illegible]
said Cove with liberty for said Smith to fence
in Land into the water as the fence now stands
[illegible]
at the N. W. corner of his land which he had
of his brother Samuel Smith, a piece of land, set
his fence one rod below the old Cart-way in

Feb. 26
1696

Gaunt

Feb. 15
1696

5th 16[illegible] ye the Lords made choice
Clerke for the following yeare Thomas Swayne,
Ens Constable Thomas Hull

Joseph Coole sen. John Mulford
John Paine* (as below)

The Towne made choice of Mr Samuel Knowles for
to serve them as their representative at the Court and

The Towne made choice of Joseph Fellows and
ing Court

At the same meeting, the Towne ordered the Selectm-

men, Mr John Doane, Daniel Cole Junr. and

being then present, did declare their mind

Samuel Keeler, Jeremiah Smith
Petty Jurymen for the following Court. John

sufficient gates to pass with Horse

June 8.

[illegible] Town made choice of Daniel Deane, Israel Cate, [illegible] Town & Daniel Cate, Town & Deane Town Daniel, Town to take a List of the Cattle and all the rest is to be for the following year, unless [illegible]

to Assess

above named are to have five shillings per day a man for the time they necessarily spend about such work. At the same meeting, the Town Voted that Henry [illegible]

[illegible] Joseph Collins to serve in his room, and the Town allowed of it. —

[illegible] Selectmen [illegible] Voted that Deane Thomas [illegible] declare their non acceptance of said Trust; but afterwards agreed with the Town to serve this year provided they would compel them to serve the ensuing.

Town Officers — Elisha Paine & Daniel Cate.

[illegible] and Thomas Paine Junior.

Thomas Chamberlain Jun.

[illegible] Mr Isaac Stafford and Joseph Deane Jun.

[illegible]

[illegible] Thomas Strong —

[illegible] Town Jurymen for the following Court Joseph Deane and Ephraim Hamlen —

[illegible] meeting [illegible] voted that all the persons that are Listed out of the list of Estates should be identified.

At the same meeting, the Town granted liberty for a Wharf to be set up at the Landing

At the same meeting, the Town voted that Joseph Deane should have a piece of land adjoining to his house for a yard, and to set a barn [illegible]

[illegible] Confirmation and Settlement
[illegible] men, then all such
[illegible] as if never granted.

[illegible]

[illegible] Ordered that James Brown may be accepted as
[illegible] one person to purchase whatsoever
[illegible] land any wood or timber that grow
[illegible] upon Josiah Carter and the land of J-
[illegible] wood on another mans land; to be recovered by
[illegible] a Tresspass at Law by any of the Townsmen of Carter
[illegible] the same meeting the Town Clerk that the Select
[illegible] men should appoint a warrant to Constable

[illegible] use more Stones, be reconciled to him as the Neighbors
[illegible] have bounded it.

[illegible] Ordered that Isaac Higgins may have about
[illegible] two acres and a half of land where he now
[illegible] lives = Voted that Isaac Higgins may have about
[illegible] acre of land to set a barn on on the East side
[illegible] the Cart way where he now lives.

[illegible] John Yates may have the land between
[illegible] the two lines and the land of Thomas [illegible]

[illegible] Ordered that William Smith may have about [illegible]

[illegible] four acres of land at the North side of the
[illegible] Ponds at Kettle gansett.

[illegible] That Thomas Paine Sen. may have all

[illegible] Simon may have Ten
[illegible] Acres of Josephs land

turned in relation to grass on said field, after reserved
as penalty of being proceeded against as the law directs

Sept 6
1702 The town made choice of Thomas Paine jun. to be
moderator for that day;
All the same article was proposed that a motion
should be entered respecting the town common mea-
dow, sedge, or hay ground, should be divided to
the proprietors to have and to hold forever — accord-
ing to former vote and the town cleark, and th

ing of it in such manner, and accordingly the
Lines called for, there was a clear vote in the af-
firmative, in the negative, there was
only eight that were on (in) the affirmative, and
fifteen for the negative; and in order thereunto
the town at the same meeting chose a committee
to devide the town common meadow, sedge, or hay
grounds in the same way and manner as was
ordered and agreed upon by the town at a to-
wn meeting, Mar. 11th, 1702, the names of the m-
en then chosen are as followeth = Samuel Bro-
wn, Joshua Paine, Jonathan [illegible]
jah Dean, Edmund Freeman, Sam
Joshua Bangs, Joseph Dean jr, Thomas Hay-
den, John Paine

to shut up the fence that is made from
fell belonging to Samuel Allyn, Joshua Hob-
ins and partners, to said Sylvanus Paine,
till the fall of the year, provided he do ma-
ey any horses or neat cattle within said fe-
nce, until after ingathering, and at that time to
all the same meeting, it was voted that Ca-
about half an acre, near his own land, whe
it shall be approved of by the neighbours, to sel-

Voted that the inhabitants of Rehoboth shall
be freed-given leaving any part of town charges

in any province rates, only the town rate sh
be agreed upon by the people, they are to pa
what is their just proportion. Voted, that Jona

[illegible] deration for said mort-
[illegible] gage Feb 8th 1902 & the town

[illegible] Town Clerk.

[illegible] the same meeting Feb 8th 1902 to the town was

[illegible] town in order to the settlement
[illegible] on in the Treasurer's hands

town recorded in the 30th page of the Town Bk

[illegible] was made null and void and of none effect,

[illegible] Langing, excepting as before, to have

[illegible] Read do surrender again to the town the
[illegible] ty acres of upland on the head of the Cre-
[illegible] ore, and also all the meadow in the Town-
[illegible] or granted to him by the town, excepting
[illegible] parcells of meadow sold by Mr Samuel
[illegible] s, unless the owners to
[illegible] by deed under his

of the bounds of the land

as above - John Paine Town Clerk -

At the same meeting, the town voted that Joshua H.

north-east corner of Joshua Hopkins his land

to give the town an order to the selectmen

to lay out the meadow in the Great Meadow between

the town and particular persons

all of Plainfield, Windham and Canterbury - Certain pe-

-ces of lands and meadow are designed and

devoted to the use of the Ministry here, and is here-

to

90 - (The uplands and meadow-

to the Church by Capt Joseph Hempstead, on

thereunto belonging, excepting as before, to have

& to hold to him the said Capt Samuel Gray and

his heirs and assigns forever - provided that

after Gray does surrender again to the town the

-ance, and also all the meadow in the Great-

-ter shall appear by deeds under the

-ce of the ministry here in order to settle them

-ing same after Gray shall surrender the town de-

Charge

[illegal]person[illegal] shall

[illegal] he by the

[illegal], administrators and assigns, to have and

[illegal] thereof, and that the aforesaid members of [illegal]

[illegal]me, with the lots, shall be proceeded in till all

the lots are successively given in.

Entered per Peter Haines, Town Clerk

[illegal] the above [illegal]

[illegal]ielves. Attest, Peter Haines, Town Clerk.

[illegal]

[illegal]

[illegal]

to Samuel Knowles liberty to shut up his fence round on the outside of his land where he now lives in the pl
ace where his out side fence now stands, that is to say,
from fence into the swale at the E. end of the
of land next towards Jeremiah Smith's and
so return to
gain all that part of his land next towards East
ward. Said Knowles not to shut his fence more into the
swale, so as to shut up the lanes and gates from
the East end of Marsh to the West end
shut up said fence, only leaving gates at
each end, according to former agreement, and
ded always, and it is so to be understood, pro
vided during said term also a foot way
at all times through said land over the head
of the Cove, and also make and maintain
each end of his said land over his said fence,
convenient places, and shall also from
time to time, and at all times, as there shall
be need mend and repair at his own expe
nce, the Common way round his said land
from the Northern corner next to Samuel Kn
to the [illegible] and
ines to Eastern Creek, so as to make convenient
Common Gates, and also shall said
Knowles declare out during said term, and
let it in common, that part of his land next
to Jeremy Smith's, according as it was ordered
by

me from my role made choice of two men to
be their agent to demand and sue all such
as
good proportion of what was their due to pay

said Eastham, which division was accomplished
the last year viz = 1703, and the term
Knowles by and her heirs have
he may or shall legally demand

[illegible]

[illegible] Mar. 15
1703/04 [illegible] at a Town meeting March 15, 1703/4
[illegible] that there should be 5 Selectmen Chosen for the
[illegible] ensuing year. at the same meeting the Town
[illegible] Voted that there should be Constables for this ensuing
year.
[illegible] Voted that no persons should cut any
wood or timber on the highways [illegible]
on that side the River Nashaway that
Josiah Curtis son, his house to the Bridge
[illegible] Nashaway said wood, so prohibited, [illegible]
between the Cart path from Simon's and the Bridge
by said Josiah Curtis, his dwelling house
[illegible] Voted [illegible] John Haines [illegible] Clerk *

Mar. 20
1703/04 at a Town Meeting on the 20th of
March. Voted that [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] ensuing by the Selectmen & that [illegible]
[illegible] to inspect & observe said town [illegible]
[illegible] at the same meeting, granted to Nathaniel
[illegible] to fence in a piece of Common Land, at
[illegible] said Town's pleasure.
[illegible] at the same meeting that Stephen
[illegible]
[illegible] should [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] with [illegible] Town Treasurer, concerning

Record of [illegible] March 15th 1734 continued from page 82

of the Town of Eastham, commonly called Pocha, the
greatest part whereof is granted by said Town to particu-
ar persons, and whereas said meadow lays very much

in the whole or at least great part both of said dev-
ided and undivided meadow which will most nes-

sitate
meadow is by preventing creatures as horses and neat
at any time of year, it being generally observed [illegible]
[illegible] liberty of said meadow and whereas also there is
necessity for in order to the fencing of meadow to preserve
the [illegible]

the Town Common or undivided lands - therefore,

[illegible]

said Eastham on the 15th day of March, 1733, at
ten 4, that the proprietors of said meadow shall
and may have liberty to set their fence upon s[illegible]

[illegible]
Rye & and Pocha beach in such places as shall
be judged most proper and convenient by ma-
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

take it said beach over their own and proches, and

Recorded per John Paine Town Clerk

[illegible] Town, [illegible] grant them liberty to fence their
said meadows from time to time, and at all

[illegible] reference to making choice of selectmen, that all those
within the two bounds, that have the most votes shall
be first, and those in the middle the proprietors
shall choose which have the most votes, shall be the

[illegible] Voted, that the selectmen of the town
of Sutton [illegible] as the law directs, the
sum of [illegible] pounds for the defraying
the town charges, according to town vote
, and that they shall also add double the
county rate for the defraying necessary town
charges; as also for the support of preaching
in said town for the ensuing year.

The town meeting Aug. 15th. 1704— granted
Elisha Paine a parcell of meadow on the Great
[illegible] on the [illegible] for the
use of the town.

[illegible] the same meeting the town voted that the 8th
[illegible] should be the annual meeting

[illegible]

[illegible] the lot of meadow granted to John Burgis in the
[illegible]
[illegible]
on is bounded thus:- beginning at the Westerm co
[illegible] a stone standing by the rising of said Burgis his
[illegible]
[illegible]
Voted at said meeting, Aug. 15, 1704, that
[illegible]
by the Negroes somewhere near his now dwell
ing house, as far East of meadow ortick as he is hewi
[illegible]
[illegible] 1703, is in value, in annual by the pro
[illegible]
[illegible] said Brown cannot agree about, then
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible] order, obtained before breaking up of said meeting, shall be subject to such sentence for every such default as [illegible] and it is also ordered at the same time, meeting that there shall henceforth at every town meeting in this town, where and there is business of [illegible] to be transacted, one or more persons be appointed by the moderator of said assembly to serve that shall presume to speak without leave obtained [illegible] shall forthwith admonish [illegible] said moderator, every person so offending, and any person so admonished shall be fined [illegible] for each default, each of which fines shall be recorded in the assessors [illegible]

[illegible] Apologie or shew reasons for their not coming to said meeting, or

[illegible] about mending or making any town way or [illegible] ordered to be sent up to the Court of Quarter Sessions for approbation, as by law directed, at a town meeting in Easthampton May 26th 1702.

Attest John Stebbins Town Clerk.

[illegible] laws are allowed by the Justices [illegible]

Second Book.

the town to our trust was the Committee Chosen by the town
or his order about 6 or 7 acres of upland & about 7 acres
Sledge Mill-pond, and that the town shall also
grant to Sd Paine or his order 7 acres of upland & some-
to quality and quality shall be in the judg
ment of the Sd Men with the consent of Sd Paine
to sow flax and oats on Sd Island this
of Sd Island who are willing to exchange their
the consent of the party concerned shall judge con
venient, having a due regard to the quantity & qua
in order to what was committed to us, and prese

Samuel Freeman
Sam.l Knowles

to run to have a negative vote in disposing of la
in Town, shall be thirty days out land to
Town of Commissioners and cause what land they la
and on that account to be committed to record, and
purpose and at Sampsons
of, and the land they doe
in the Town's name and
of May, men shall be committed to record
Recorded per John Paine Town Clerk

this following year

and their proper rite and privilege
& shall stand within gates and pens
and his homestead for land lying near his more d
condition in all respects as to all intents and purposes as
it is and was granted to him in the year of our Lord
and May, for the space of 10 years, as doth appear
shall be renewed. So that the grand shall made to

1701 At a town meeting held at Eastham ye 9th
in the year of our Lord Christ one
Town of Eastham at Eastham

At a town meeting on the 12th day
It is voted that there shall be a bell
for

[illegible] preserving, at the Generall Court, which m
is to be gathered at the rate of 8 shillings per Ounce Troy,
was then voted that the Selectmen & Assessors shall im-
make a rate or tax of 6£ pounds to the collector and
at ye rate of 8 shillings per ounce Troy. 65 pounds
is for the defraying the Towns Charges according

made choice of Capt. Thomas Paine for an Ass.
joyn with the Selectmen of this town in making
of the Province and Town assessments.

Voted granted to Samuel Mayo for a peice of land
for his now dwelling house at Billingsgate, namely, all
the trees growing on that parcell of upland, bounded
as - beginning at the Northern corner bounds of his said
[illegible]
orchard 46 pole - and from thence 8 pole Southerly
to the [illegible] of [illegible] from thence
thence Westerly by the ranges of his Orchard to the first
corner specified.
the town accepted Caleb Cook for a Townsman.

[illegible]
of Lyalls at Barnstable the following Court

Jan. 5.

[illegible] Samuel Freeman, Nath[illegible] Samuel

Mayo. Nath[illegible] Freeman John
[illegible] John Snow.

The town ordered to exchange the land lying out to Justus [illegible] land, much land lyes by the sale of the glebe, being about one acre, and to lay him out as much land about the house of Justus Hardi[illegible]

[illegible]

According to the agreement made between the Town, the 5th 9ber of Spanish Island & Town's [illegible] Shine desiring the following propositions to [illegible] the Town of Eastham, with reference to [illegible] and on the Great Island, Scut Fish on [illegible] other side Eastham.

[illegible]

this town of Eastham, or that have a legall title and property thereon and thereunto, shall be allowed to [illegible] Island or Lieutenants Island at Billingsgate in [illegible]

[illegible]

every boats down at their first coming to sell [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] every person not of this town or [illegible] which they have in their boats to [illegible] 5 money shall be for the use of [illegible] to make satisfaction and recompensation for their selling [illegible] Island, and for the more they have for fishing in their houses in [illegible] - and that every stranger or stranger not conforming to this order shall [illegible] as a fine to [illegible] 20 shillings - and that [illegible]

[illegible]

Lands

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

ad[illegible] be bound to them by Indentures to serve an Apprentice
ship with them and not otherwise; and that the town
[illegible]

1707 At a town meeting in Eastham the 19th day of Mar
[illegible] for the following year — who being present, accepteas —
[illegible] land at Smith's Neck, and so down into yeare
[illegible] the space of ten years —

1707 [illegible] a town meeting [illegible]

[illegible] July 1707 the town voted that the Selectmen should
[illegible] rates of the town of Eastham to defray Mr Treats allow
[illegible] ages of a schoolmaster and other necessary
[illegible] present town charges —

[illegible] the Inferior Court
[illegible] of his lot of land at the head of Great Namskaket, th
[illegible] of his s[illegible] land on the Western side joyning to s[illegible] lands.

Whereas complaint is made of an errour in la
[illegible] Hopkins in the Great Meadow so that s[illegible] lot is said to
[illegible] lot, and if the finds any Errour on that account,

March 22d order.

the town made choice of Capt. Samuel [illegible]
and Mr. Samuel Cain, Samuel [illegible]

for Town Treasurer

for Constable Mr. [illegible]

for Sealer of Leather

for Pound Keeper John Merrick

at the house of Great Marshpeake in
order of Stephen Hopkins sen.

at the house of Nicholas Baines
near his dwelling house as
shown as his dwelling house

April 2.

the town agreed that the Selectmen
the town of Chatham should be
[illegible]

...8th ...0 The Town made choice of Mr. Samuel Knowles for a Commissioner to joyn with the Selectmen & Recorder of the Town of Eastham in taking and making a valuation of the Estates of the Town — and the Town also made choice of Capt. Thomas Paine, Thomas Mulford and John Paine & Thomas Mayo sen. and Daniel Cole to joyn with s^d Commissioners in ... s^d Valuation

... Mr. Samuel ... damnified in his lot of meadow in ye Great meadow ... Great by the ... for ... and ... Town ... Capt. Samuel ... ine to view s^d Lots and ... Knowles, and to lay out ... place to make up s^d ... (quantity) and to lay out to Mr. ... and what s^d men do the Town engages to establish & ...

...1° 1708 ... Town ... to ... the ... enclosed ... all ... the ... Meadow) by several Lots which by mistake were laid ... grant is, that the s^d Samuel ... and enjoy to him, his heirs and assigns forever — all the ... that is enclosed by his fences as it now stands, with liberty to shut up his ... as aforesaid ... all ... Bottom ... with convenient stiles, and that the bounds of all the Lot ... on which he bought of Mr. Great shall ... Town Book, and that ... shall forever possess & ... bounds without molestation from s^d Knowles, his heirs & assigns forever.

... Land ... Eastham ...

June 14

1708

1708

within said town it is ordered and voted by the town that the Selectmen of said town do assign the inhabitants

and Lieut. Island at Billingsgate and to

whaling voyages and to pay according to

every is by said order due to said town, and to use all manner

to procure a schoolmaster.

shall agree with a Collector to collect and gather

that shall arise by such taxes or assessment which

[illegible] meeting in Eastham on the 22 day of [illegible] the Commanded Choice of Ensign Edm[illegible] [illegible] Ingalls at the next Inferior Court at Barnstable.

At a Town meeting in Eastham March ye 9th 1708/9 the Town [illegible]

[illegible] Samuel Payc, John Doane Samuel Cole, John Paine.
for Grandjurymen Thomas Rich, David Doane

for fence viewers Samuel Paine
and Joshua Hopkins
Mulford and Joseph Atkins
for pound Keeper Joseph Merriett

[illegible] in Eastham shall judge most convenient.

Granted to Samuel Knowles Junr [illegible] acre of Marish Land.

Granted to Elisha Cobrey about 3 acres of upland near his dwelling house at Billingsgate.

[illegible] and Generall Court at Boston.

[illegible]

June 27.

the 15th day of September next.

Entered pr John Cain Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting in Eastham March ye 21st 1709/10 the
[illegible]
year of Caniell Mayo & Robert Young

To serve on the Jury of Ingall, the next Court — Capt. John Do
[illegible]

For Select mens — Samuel Mayo sen. Isaac Pepper, Rich
ard Higgins

For liberty to have a neg. vote in disposing of Land — Sam
[illegible]

For Fencing Corn — Jabez Snow, Nicholas Cunning
For Town Clerk — Joseph Doane

[illegible]

For Constables — Joseph Knowles

It was Voted that the Selectmen of ye Town should
[illegible]

Voted that the Town of Eastham will free the
[illegible]
northward of Deacon Blackfish Creek, from hea
vy charge in supporting the ministry & School ma
ster within s^d Town, provided (and so long as) they at
[illegible]
hearken the word of God unto them, and keep & wait
[illegible]
upon the same, & provide & maintain sober, & learned
[illegible]
& orthodox Ministers & School Masters to preach the
[illegible]
Gospel & teach Children in the Town Precincts and
[illegible]
take up Land in their choice at the head of the Cove
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

me below ye highway, and that parcell of Land lying
[illegible]
adjoyning to his other Land towards Caniell Smiths

Granted to Nicholas Snow about Eastham as are of fer
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

1/10

committee to draw out proposals respecting the same and

and Gentlemen meeting the return prepared, which was

ee to what was committed to us by the town, - first we

pose that there be 4 acres apiece of the best of ye Town

in lots granted by ye town and laid out by

ors of Eastham and is now arrived to the age of

and one years, and where the land is now to be

Land

there be a committee chosen by the town to lay out so

so much as may be to the aforesaid lots or homesteads

shall be recorded to ye persons respectively to

granted and laid out as a grant from ye town of

them to them their heirs and assigns forever as a fee

and absolute Estate in fee simple. (by all

words and intended are meant all such words

as are the natures of this town, here & now therein

mitted to claim privileges and where there is no

ons part of this town we propose that there be

confirmed as aforesaid,

the aforesaid proposals

each people to accept with thankfulness, that is to

say, where there is a town and land laid out

or more to any one person

[illegible] allowance, and that there be 6 acres of wood
land laid out to each male person qualified as above
[illegible] to say, to be granted to them [illegible]
them their heirs and assigns [illegible]
acres for ye said is to be [illegible]
[illegible] as the Commissioners
regard both to wood and
as conveniently as may be to each neighborhood and to
[illegible]
[illegible]
the land shall be better or worse fitted to accommoda-
[illegible] Pond [illegible] shall be reserved [illegible]
[illegible] there and the like quantity at some where it may
be most convenient for that use, and the like gu-
[illegible]
other lands granted at ye same meeting, and that there
be 10 acres of wood land laid out and annexed to each
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
further steps towards the laying out of the Towns comm-
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
granted to 8 persons as their lots fall, to have
[illegible] to them, their heirs and assigns forever &
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

June 22 1710 Recorded pr. John Paine, Town Clerk

At a Town meeting ... made choice of Mr. Samuel Knowlton to serve as their Representative at the Great & General Court at Boston ...

... used to him during the term

Voted that the Selectmen take care to lay out a ... between the land of ... & Sparrows to pass and repass down to the Sea;

... agent for s[aid] Town to demand and receive of the respective persons that sit down on whaling voyages at ... service he is to have the one quarter part by what he receives ... years from the date

June 24 1710 ... the Town ... to the Superior Court ... 6th 1702 there is a reserve in these words Only if the Indians ... ceases out of town, then the lands here in that case

as the town and he shall agree on

medium and is since discharged, the board was pleased
to order said sum of twelve pounds to be not allowed too much
in the bill, but that so much as in the judgment of
the magistrate may be accounted a reasonable satisfaction for said medium.

[illegible]

long was a handsome yearly salary to be [illegible]

[illegible]

Voted himself at said meeting, declared it to be void
for want of due notice therewith.

July 25 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] amount of 135 pounds on the inhabitants of the town
of Eastham according to the direction of the law and
vote and vote of said town, and that they commit it
[illegible] to the Selectmen of Eastham to collect and
it is to the Treasurer of said town in due time
[illegible] to answer the end for which said money is

[illegible]

[illegible] allow necessary and contingent charges arising within
said town. Voted that the selectmen of this town
take the charge and care of schools in said town for the
ensuing year.

[illegible]

1710 At a town meeting in Eastham Feb. 5th 1710. the town
voted to chuse a committee to consult & advise
proper ways & means to dividing the Town's Common
[illegible]
and [illegible] within said town, and to
[illegible]

Joseph [illegible] Edward Emmons, James Arron, Steven and Higgins [illegible] Thomas Doane for a Committee as aforesaid.

[illegible]

undivided upland. It was then voted that there should be a division of s[d] Common Land if the Town could agree [illegible] proper method.

It was Voted that the prohibition of cutting trees beside down to the neck below Mulford's land as it was [illegible] to have only during the term of his own and his wife's natural life.

[illegible]

John Sparrow, John Paine, Daniel Mayo.
For Constable — Jonathan Sparrow.
For Town Treasurer — John Paine.
For Town Clerk — John Paine.
For Sythingmen — Joseph Rogers.
[illegible]
For Fence Viewers — Jonathan Grinnell, Jonathan [illegible] Sen[r], William Walker, Medad Atwood.
For Pound Keeper — Ensign Joseph Merrick.

The Town made choice of Jonathan Sparrow to serve for Constable for s[d] Town for the following year. The s[d]

Feb. 21
1710/11 At a town meeting in Eastham Feb. ye 21, 1710/11 [illegible]

[illegible]

proposals what lands shall be divided again to
and in what method they shall be divi
at proper method to proceed to secure the grass and
also to consider and purchase what is proper to be done
with [illegible]
agreed to the dividers, and the town to pay
[illegible]
meeting [illegible]
Lieut. Joseph Doane, Mr. Joseph Doane, Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Nicholas Snow and John Paine to be a
committee for the ends aforesaid.

March 6
1711 At a town meeting in Eastham March 26th 1
voted to consider [illegible] a motion to re
consider a vote [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

Court at Boston, who being present declared his acceptance.

[illegible] to accomplish said work, and also to repair other parts [illegible] made choice of Capt. Samuell Freeman and Mr. John Sparrow to take to procure stuff and do work [illegible]

The Town appointed Joseph Doane Esq. to account with John Paine as Town Treasurer in the Town's behalf [illegible]

[illegible] Samuell Freeman and Mr Isaac Copper to number and [illegible] also at the same meeting warned another meeting to be [illegible] notification thereof.

Jan. 17th [illegible] a meeting warned to hear the return of the committee that was appointed to lay out the land granted by [illegible] committee made report to ye Town that they have laid [illegible] thereof.

The Town made choice of John Sparrow, Junr [illegible] proper allowed inhabitants of the town of Eastham

with other any Lands more than what is already granted
any, then what and how much respectively, and to
Whereas in dividing the Great Island at Billings-
to last forth that there will be a necessity for persons
to pass over each others lots of land to fetch wood and
to their whale houses it is therefore ordered, concluded
voted by the town of Eastham that the lot men draw
fetch water — this was ordered and voted at a town meet-
ing in Eastham July ye 2d, 1711 —

June 13 1711 The town made choice of Mr Daniel Cole
Moderator of said meeting —

Granted by the town and voted at said meeting
afford about 3 load of hay to be cut on it annually,
land in this town this present year, and this to be
in the year 1703 = provided said Daniel Mayo quit
as all other Common meadow,

Voted — that the Committee chosen this present
according to town vote, shall have power, and are
hereby impowered as agents in the towns behalf to set

Aug. 20 1711 At a town meeting in Eastham Aug. ye 20, 1711 it
whether the town would grant them any land, and
was voted in the affirmative, and pursuant thereunto
the town then voted that said Jeremiah Smith

Jonn. Sipson desired to come down to Eastham, about their claime to some land in this Towne,

The Towne voted — that the widows which are widows [illegible] owned inhabitants of the Towne of Eastham, and the other were widows when the division of land in Eastham this present year was first entered upon, all such widows shall have so [illegible] as is allowed to [illegible] which is 4 acres of wood lands, [illegible] Towne again to be in the same quality as other undivided land within said Towne.

It was voted — that Richard Knowles, Stephen [illegible] each of them have as much land laid out to them as is allowed by Towne vote to tenements viz = 4 acres, &c. Voted again May ye 5th 1712.

Granted to John Paine Jun. a parcell [illegible] containing about 3 acres and a half or 4 acres, more or less, [illegible] Towne. This was granted May ye 5th 1711.

Granted to Joshua Brown, Isaac Atwood and John [illegible] shall have each of them a tenement lot alowed to them for the tenements they have, which they do now live [illegible] on Samuell Sparrow.

Sept. 24, 1711 At a Towne meeting in Eastham Sept. 24th 1711 the Towne made choice of Jos. Hubbard [illegible] Cook to serve at the Inferior Court of Pleas to be held [illegible] Nicholas Snow and Benjamin Cook & Elisha [illegible]

Mar. 3. 1711/12 At a Towne meeting in Eastham March 3d 1711, warned to chuse Towne officers for the following year, accordingly made choice as followeth viz:
For Towne Clerk — John Paine
For Select [illegible] Richard Higgins, Samuell [illegible] John Paine.

Mar. 1st

Mar. 5.
1711

and shall be apprehended and proceed by the mi-
appointed to have a key, vote in disposing of the
they see cause and so committed to records.

Entered for John Paine, Town Clerk

May 5.
1712

Moderator of Town meetings.

Voted named Tenement shall and may be con-
firmed and made good title persons to whom th

freeman or townsmen are born out of the

said town do approve thereof.

Ordered that the town [illegible] and the same ordered [illegible]

[illegible] his house to be laid out and bounded by [illegible]

[illegible] Thomas Doane for agents in said town's behalf to [illegible] pitures which by said town act is due, and to prosecute [illegible] if done by said town.

The town appoint [illegible] there were not allowed.

Whereas, in an [illegible] proceed and ordered by the town of Eastham with [illegible] there ordered and voted by said town that no person who should by virtue of said grants have land laid [illegible] peadiness to be committed to records, and for asmuch [illegible] town of Eastham — that each and every person to whom [illegible]

all not within the said term of 6 months pay this order
[illegible]
lands so marked out and ordered for them, and
said lands shall return again to the town and be
in the same station and quality and under the
same circumstances as all other common or undi-
vided lands are that lye within said town, and the said
grants shall be to every such person or persons respec-
[illegible]
ne persons to pay the Committee their said fees and
lands and other proper charges.

This above written order was Entered at a Town-
ership in Eastham on the 5th day of February Anno
dom. 1712. Attest John Paine Town Clerk

May 11
1713

At a town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day
1713 the town made choice of Mr. Samuel Treadwell Esq
and Capt. Thomas Prince as their Deputies
to Represent the Town at the Gen. Court at Boston.

It was proposed to the town whether they would
chuse agents in the town to take care and act
in the town behalf with reference to the line which
is to be between the two lines that are settled by a former

Whereas there was by agreement
the town of Eastham and the town of Harwich, a
certain parcell or tract of land lying on the South
east side of the line which bounds between Eastham
and Harwich townships which was agreed upon
mutually between said towns to be for a
common for the use and benefit of said
excepting only such parcells of land as were at
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

by oblige itself to stand to and abide by, as fully, to
all intents and purposes as if done by said Town

to the Charity of the town and to ath[ers]
of the Inhabitants of said Town as provided by
as may be, and with all convenient bargain or agreement
in will confirm and abide by

where it may be convenient for them and not

Voted — that the land at Nauset hills as it is set
ted and recorded to Thomas Doane his heirs and assi

1912

1912

Sept. 20
1912

his lot of land which lyes to the South
dwelling house, and the lot of land wh

the town at sd meeting made choice of Je
Palmer & Nath. H. Stone on the Se
for the following year, and Voted Stone on

Joshua Hosk

Voted &c. that John Paine might have liberty to make sale of a parcel of land which he bought of [illegible] lying on the South East side of the Island Highway, which [illegible] to the Island Highway from the East end of [illegible]

March 8 1712

At a town meeting in Eastham on the 18th day [illegible] and Richard Sparrow's land so as to lay the [illegible] meadow between land and Richard Sparrow, provided the neighbours most concerned are [illegible]

to William Dyer out of the Town [illegible]

sickness the last fall

May 12 1713

At a town meeting in Eastham, May ye 12, 1713 — Voted that [illegible]

of John Paine as Town Treasurer relating to debts and disbursements since April ye [illegible]

represent them at the Genl and General Court to be held at Boston

The town voted that Jonathan Sparrow shall have as much land [illegible] to their [illegible]

[illegible] as much as [illegible] at the Genl Court [illegible] as both [illegible] and [illegible]

The town voted that Justice Paine and [illegible] of Harwich shall represent the Town [illegible]

Voted that John Paine Jun. shall have a sm
shall be laid out by the men appointed to have a regular
half
[illegible]
ain on the tenement lot of the widow Mary Mayo
and age or decease
[illegible]
an agent in the town's behalf to say what may be
[illegible]
[illegible] for a Committee to come to Ea
[illegible]

July 30
" 13, at a town meeting in Cambridge on the 30th day
of July A. D. 1713 voted by said town that the
selectmen do forthwith assess the inhabitants of
said town on their polls and Estates in the sum of
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
by charges, the repairing the Meeting House and
the same, and
that said list or lists of said assessment be com-
[illegible]
[illegible]
over and ensuing.

Voted — that the meadow or marsh land on the So
[illegible]
[illegible]
may by this House called an acre for quality and
to [illegible] as much for quantity and quality (according
judgment of the Neighbors) according to the laws
of Mass. Province, on the east side
[illegible]
shall have a small piece of marsh land out of [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

lots of meadow land in ye year 1702 who compl[ain]
[illegible] so as to make such lots as good as other ordinary
lots of the same denomination & the town to pay
for their time

Voted that John Hutson shall have acres
in ye west side

Voted that Jabez Brown and Thomas Cogan jr a Committee to view
the place where Mr Samuel Knowles proposes to turn
the river & may the same without prejudice or damage to the
town under the circumstances which he proposes &
to make report to ye town at the next [illegible] meeting to
act [illegible]

Dec. 11 At a town meeting in Eastham on the 11th day of
Dec. 1713 Jabez Cogan and Samuel Knowles were
sworn to serve on the jury of trials at ye next County C[our]t

as

Mar. 15

[illegible] Jonathan Sparrow for the following year, the town made choice
of their respective officers viz.

for Constables Thomas Cogan, Samuel Mayo
for Town Clerk John Paine
for Town Treasurer John Paine
for Selectmen Jeremiah Smith jr
for Grand Jurymen Jabez Brown 2d

for Fence Viewers
and Joseph
for

as Constable for said town in the room of said Thomas

Voted by the town that the Meeting house should

Isaac Pepper & Jabez Snow be a committee to draw out
and methodise the setting of a Schoolmaster for the town

Voted that John Taylor should have about 2 acres of
John Paine's Junr. his house, if the Neighbours approve
thereof and judge it convenient.

The committee chosen by the town
town, that they judge

as followeth that they are of opinion that the
general benefit of said town is as followeth
that the dividing line shall be between the house
of Ralph Smith and the house of Richard Know

master for the future shall remain one full year in the
between the Northern and Southern ends of the
town, and this first year shall begin at the time
fixed upon his new years hire further that one end of
the town as aforesaid shall not serve their children
as aforesaid town meeting as a rule and met
accordingly for the purpose.

Attest John Paine Town Clerk

Voted Samuel Mayo as agent to sell certain
certain parcells of land belonging to some of the inhabi-
tants [illegible]
certain roads and
Eastham how and in what manner said lands
and persons respectively

Exhibited per John Paine Town Clerk.

[illegible] have since purchased it of the Indian owners will surrender it to said Towns, and provided Harwich town and [illegible] the case of said purchase, and also on condition that said Towns do joyntly pay said purchase, and said lands be surveyed [illegible] of said Towns as aforesaid. That the [illegible] set and and reserved at the Northern part of said Town to ly also for a perpetual Common for the use of said Town, and that it shall be set and in Comon [illegible]

Whereas by order of the Great and General Court at their Sessions in May last, the Selectmen of Eastham have been served with a copy of a petition exhibited [illegible] and the Great and General Court have ordered that the Selectmen of Eastham be heared thereon on the first Friday in the next Sessions of said Court — the said Selectmen on hearing thereof, order the Town to meet, who did accordingly meet on Monday the 2d day of Aug. 1714, [illegible] Eastham as their agent in behalf of said Town and [illegible] General Court, to say what may be proper to be [illegible] in the minute book —

Ordered and voted — that whereas the said Town have appointed John Paine to be their agent to appear [illegible] or go on said service — the Town will allow and pay [illegible] during the time he spends in said service and above what is allowed him for [illegible] days for going and three for ye returning

Oct. 11 1714 [illegible]

1714 [illegible]

March
1744-5

At a town meeting in Eastham on the 10th day of March 1744/5 Warned by order of the Selectmen as the law directs, Isaac Cole Esq. was chosen Moderator for the ensuing year

for Town Clerk Joshua Paine
for Town Treasurer Joshua Paine
for Selectmen Mr. Samuel Knowles Mr. Isaac Cole
for Constables Jonathan Sparrow Samuel Sparrow Jr.
for Hurdle Makers Nathaniel Knowles Samuel Knowles Jr.
Nicholas Sparrow, Jonathan Higgins Jr. John Snow
Israel Doane

Surveyors for the highways, viz. in the first district Israel Doane, Joshua Paine
for the 2d district Isaac Doane, Joshua Paine
for the 3d district Isaac Cole Junior

Voted that the Selectmen be a committee to agree with Smith, John Young and William Sparks to keep open the highway from the meeting house

Voted that a Town meeting shall be warned to be holden on the 24th day of March current, to consider what is proper to be done to prevent the damage that is done or like to be done by persons fencing and inclosing the Town Common and to act thereon as they shall think proper

Voted that Joseph Doane, Israel Doane Esq. Capt. Samuel Freeman, John Young Isaac Doane and Edmond Knowles be a committee for the Town to consider what will be the most proper effectual means to prevent persons from encroaching upon and inclosing the said Town Common and to act in the premises and report at the Town meeting

March
1744-5

At a town meeting in Eastham on the 24th day of March A.D. 1744/5 the Town proceeded to choose a Moderator for the ensuing year and the Town Clerk being absent Samuel Knowles Jr. was chosen Clerk pro tempore

Samuel Knowles Jr. was sworn to the faithful discharge of the office of Town Clerk

Voted that the Grand Jury for the County of Barnstable at the Town meeting shall choose the Jury Men at Barnstable Joshua Paine Esq. Isaac Cole Esq.

Cashaw on the 24th day of
the Town made choice of Capt. Sa
meeting
Samuel Stanton town
quality as he hath lost and
the benefit of the neigh
for their cattle, which is to
and bringing up stone fence,
Cashaw and hay yard on near his dwelling ho
petition was granted by vote of the Town

At a Town Meeting in Cashaw Dec. 9th 1715 Thomas
Hew a Townsman.
Meeting in Cashaw the 27th day of
with reference to a boat way through the Sam
want of said Inants his land there, some inco
Town at said meeting made choice of Capt. Samuel Hew
said to Samuel Inants to settle and bound out said
to be had and least prejudicial to Sd. Mr Inants &
what said Committee and said Mr. Inants shall do
purposes as by deed of said town, herewith given unto
written was voted the day and year aforesaid,

Town Meeting in Cashaw
the Town being deeply sensible of the great damage th
happens within the Town by
the Commons by their fencing into meadows and
inclosures through well fences to the great dam
many persons. Voted at said meeting th
Selectmen of Dedham, and are hereby directed
to a penal act to prevent horses from going
gathered and that the same be paid
the same to His Majesty's Justices at the next

[illegible] May [illegible]

June ye 11th 1716 Whereas there is a grave open on an ordered by the Committee that laid out lands in Eastham in the year of our Lord 1715 between the [illegible]

[illegible] to Mr. John Mulford at a place commonly called the Great Neck in Eastham as may be seen on record = and by information it is thought proper and convenient it should be so. Voted at a town meeting in said Eastham on the day aforesaid that the Selectmen of said Eastham do take an ordinary to view the place, and if they find it to be in decay and that there should be such a way in that place that they do renew it and cause it to be committed to repair for private way for the benefit of said town,

[illegible]

[illegible] ways by laying out new ways for the paying the town's Representative and other necessary County or town Charges. Voted that the Selectmen do forthwith make a rate or assessment on the persons and Estates of the town of Eastham of one hundred [illegible] pounds to be brought to the Constable or Constables of said town [illegible] to the Selectmen or their order at such time as they shall appoint to be improved for the ends and uses aforesaid.

Voted that the Selectmen or some of them, do discourse with Mr Robert and present Salter Thomas to see whether he may be obtained to keep school in Eastham for one year more after his present [illegible] is expired and if not for a year for as long time as they can agree.

[illegible] The town made choice of Mr Samuel Mayo and Mr John Sharman to serve on the Jury at Barnstable [illegible] courts of the peace to be holden at Barnstable.

At a town meeting in Eastham on the 8th day of October [illegible] for the choosing [illegible] town and proprietors whether they should [illegible] to have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

March [illegible]

Jun. Elisha Eldridge Jun.
Josiah Cobb. Wm Irving
Thomas Mayo sen. Josa
Doane Isaac Cobb.
Jonna Keeler Jeremiah Smith Jr.

At the desire and meeting of John Cole Jun. and

At a town meeting in Eastham on ye 8th day of

town, that they are willing to allow
ah Hobert for the Sabbath a
ministers which they shall invite to preach in
this town) 20 shillings a day, and to pay for his
boarding, and that Capt Samuel Freeman &
Joseph Doane Esq, are directed to acquaint Mr H
desire to engage him to be helpfull in the
of the ministry for some longer time.

voted that Mr. Israel Cole Mr Samuel
Mayo, John Sparrow Lieut John Knowles, Mr.
Cole and Mr Thomas Doane, shall be a com
to consider of, and draw up proposals to offer
the several parts of ye town with resp
ye Meeting house in Eastham now
occasion to build another or whether
they do to ye town at their next town
is appointed to be on the fifteenth

of bard ...

At a Town meeting in Eastham on ye 18th ...

as a Schoolmaster for the Town of Eastham and ...

for the time he serves.

Voted That Paul ...

and to gratify him for his trouble in ...

him from and to Chatt ...

paid out of the Town Treasury.

Voted that it is the mind of the Town that Capt Samuel Freeman and John Paine do write to ye Rev. Mr Eastick Town to Dr Samuel Mather that he ... would come from Boston as he may ... and preach ... Sabbaths.

Aug. ye 14th 1718 At a Town meeting in Eastham Aug ye 30th 1718 Voted that Capt Samuel Freeman shall be impowered out of the Town Treasury 20 shillings which he pays to Mr Hugh Adams to gratify him for preaching ... 1718 ...

Voted that the Selectmen are desired to make ... provide entertainment for ... that shall ... etc ... ing, as also that such as entertain ... paid for their trouble and charge ...

... Freeman's ... to accept

were for the negative and thirty eight for the affirmative.

[illegible] a rate or assessment on the polls and estates of the [illegible] men or their order on or before the last day of Nov [illegible]

[illegible] to dispense the word of God unto the people in East Ham, and several at the church having drawn [illegible] proposals, and the vote passed in the affirmative [illegible]

[illegible] to be done relating to Mr. Nehemiah Hobart for his encouragement when the Lords invitation [illegible] was [illegible] for a moderator for said meeting [illegible] the word of God unto [illegible] to [illegible] for [illegible] to the affirmative [illegible]

[illegible] Nehemiah Hobart for so many [illegible]
as he hath or shall stay to preach before he [illegible]

[illegible] ober A. D. 1719 the Townsmen chaird [illegible]

the 21st day of December Current,

and 2 pence in going on the towns account to Seek [illegible]
Shillings and 6 pence, and the grand [illegible]
shillings and 6 pence be paid to ye Sd Jose
out of the Townstreasury.

At the same meeting Justice Nathaniel [illegible]
and Daniel Doane laid their accounts of [illegible]
the grievances being allowed by the [illegible]
account it passed in the affirmative and [illegible]
sum of 7 pounds be paid out of the town [illegible]
present and Doane.

Also at the same meeting it was voted [illegible]
[illegible]
paying to Ebenezer Evans and Isaac Pluer [illegible]
[illegible]
for the time he supplied the [illegible]
came to Eastham to preach the [illegible]

to build a new meeting-house the place where it shall
be and shall be in all respects a place to meet
Therefore at a town meeting in Easthampton
for which the town is duly warned as followeth
is or shall be occasion to build a new, should there
stands, in the most convenient place thereabout.
the vote being thereupon passed in the negative,
dered to be adjourned, and was accordingly ad
ned to Monday ye 24 day of February current
day 1741—12 o'clock Monday ye 24th current, and
on met, at said meeting a paper was presented
de that it will be best for said town to di
according to ye number of families, in order
for building two meeting houses and settling two
ministers, and in case said town cannot lovingly
town to make choice of a committee out of the ne
ighbouring towns to determine that matter, and
Mr Osburn to have liberty to settle in which end
the town shall see cause, and as soon as there sh
all be occasion for ye whole town to be at ye cost and
charge of building and bringing into town
gospel minister, for the other end ye town
vote being passed in the negative.
to discourse (with) Mr Osburn

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the Inhabitants of Eastham to meet at the meeting house in said town, then for him to have liberty to warn the inhabitants of said town to meet at the time and place aforesaid, and the constable to make return of his doings therein to the clerk of said town.

[illegible] the constable of said town, to meet at the time and place aforesaid, and then and there to choose a committee of seven persons, to join with the selectmen of said town, to make a rate for the payment of the town debts, and the charges of the present year, and until there be provision made for the ministry, for each and every one of said parts of the town to congregate by themselves, that each part may pay as much or shall be needful for the support of such ministers as shall in said time dispense the word of God to them.

At the aforesaid meeting viz: at March ye 11th 1711/12

[illegible] by the major vote of the inhabitants present at the said meeting, and persons [illegible]

[illegible] Nathaniel Cornel as is before [illegible]

Committee aforesaid their names were subscribed as followeth:

Israel Cole.
Thomas Paine
Daniel Paine
Jabez Snow
[illegible]

per John Paine Town Clerk.

[illegible] at a town meeting in Eastham on the 24th day [illegible] for a moderator for said meeting.

The town made choice of John Paine for Town Clerk, for Town Treasurer, they made choice of John Paine.

[illegible] Mayo, formerly [illegible] for Selectmen, the town made choice of Isaac

April 14
1718

[illegible] exhibited

to keep together and transact such other business as may come
before them at the said town when to determine whether the
with reference to the premises shall be binding to the
inhabitants of the said town to all intents and purp
oses, and that there shall be men chosen as agents
at, and one and a the middle part of said town, and
the said agents shall be the only persons to lay the pre
mises aforesaid Committee: and the Vote being asked
also it passed in the affirmative where-
upon Mr. Elisha Hall of Dunbarton for a Commit
to determine and issue the matters premised and
voted that Joseph Keane Esq, Mr. Samuel Fro
and Mr. Thomas Keane should be their agents
as aforesaid to lay the premises before the Committee
Voted also at said meeting that the Selectmen be
instructed to make Choice of a person to represent this
town at the Genl and Genl Court, and also
warning the town (by the major part of the voters
present) made Choice of John Stark to serve for
to represent them at the Genl and Genl Court
at the ensuing session, accepted of ye trust, and that
the Selectmen be directed to make up his wages &c

At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned
meeting was warned & held at the
meeting given, it was voted to be done in the meeting given
to defray the charge of building a meeting house
in Eastham as determined by ye Committee
to carry on said work,

Note to build a meeting house

unto us, who hath for about the space of half a ye
satisfaction so that we can think it our duty to
on due notice given) met together on the 19th day of
make choice of Mr Samuel Osburn to be ye pastor
line solemnly (according to gospel order) recom
mended to and established in that great work of the
unch and desired to be communicated to the town,
and recommended for concurrance.

The act of the brethren of the church in mak
ing
read in the said meeting, and the question bein
mative. Entered pr John Paine Town Clerk.

The churches act is

All the town meeting { Joseph
Nath[l] Freeman

Nathaniel Freeman Esq.

and town have made choice of himself for the min
istry
om there ye. And the said Mr. Osburn signifie
his acceptan
town passed a vote as followeth viz. that

June 6. 1710.

he. thereof said dissent should be entitled accordingly it

ration that relating to ye building a meeting house in Ea
rolet to be 21 by 18 was passed by ye said town on the 14th day of A

to both ends of the town, and inasmuch as the to
2 meeting houses, one in Each part of it, is the
unlet (except) do proceed to build one meeting ho
le to accommodate their part, and that when sd
meeting house is built, that the town take care to
settle another minister able and Orthodox, at the
arge of the town, and as soon as the northern part
shall think shall come to have another meeting ho
use built, then for the whole town (Billingsgate
hamlet excepted) to be at the charge to build a m
eeting house suitable to accommodate the said
northern part of the town, and in the meantime
that the whole town meet at the meeting house
hip of God and when another minister shall be
settled in the town the whole town to be at the ch
arges to settle and support both ministers until
se above said propositions were publickly read at the
asked whether the town did agree to ye said pro
positions, the vote passed in the affirmative, the pol
es being numbered by the moderator, there were six
ty-five voters present 40 of which were for the af
firmative and twenty five for ye negative.

It was further proposed to ye town in or
der to be voted, that there be three hundred pou
nds raised and levied on the polls and Estat
es of the inhabitants of the town of East and Billin
gsgate (southern part of the town, according to the above
vote, and the other meeting house at ye northerly end
of ye town as above said — said money to be rai

sea as the law in such cases provi
and [illegible] the
houses, he assessors called to
upon, in the year
and the other half part to be
ton and paid in to the Town treasu
the last day of October in the yea

Location said meeting house shall be
within two or more the next day of [illegible]
Selectmen

of building said meeting houses he com

be built to accommodate the
as to be built and set up to the best a
commodate each part of the town the
shall be determined by the town, he
at the N. W. corner of Mr. Samuel Hayes
by which the town be set up a little
to of the Herring pond field, comm
on [illegible]

the treasury of said town for the
relation as aforesaid, those proposi
either were all times ne
by the moderator whether the town
and confirm said propositions, and if
the affirmative, and prevail then
assessors to make choice of [illegible]
and the [illegible] upon or as a committee
in the town shall be [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

Voted that Mr. Osborn shall be also sent for
[illegible] merely grounds, and this town to pro-
[illegible] the ministry in Eastham said time.

Jan 12 1718 At a town meeting in Eastham on the 12th. day of January 1718 — the town made choice of Ebenezer Doane and Mr. Edward Knowles to serve on the Jury of Tryals at the next Inferiour Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the peace to be holden at Barnstable.

July 30 1718 At a [illegible] the 30th day of July 1718 a motion was made, whether the town would give [illegible] for the raising money to pay the charge of supporting the ministry and schools & for the paying the necessary and contingent charges within said town, and it was also therein inserted that the town reconsider and reassume the votes passed at ye last town meeting in Eastham [illegible] house, and when the town sees cause to build a new, to set ye meeting house at or near the same place where the old one now stands, and also to do what may be proper to be done referring to Mr. Osborns settlement arrearages.

Ordered and voted [illegible] all [illegible] that [illegible] of 20s pr. [illegible] half pr. [illegible] shall judge [illegible] shall be for the defraying the charge of supporting the ministry for the paying [illegible] of money as shall be set on ye list [illegible] for the defraying County charges, and [illegible] ges as have or shall necessarily arise in the

[illegible] with the hamlet of Pilkington [illegible]

[illegible] debate on the motion it was proposed by the Immediate, whether the town would [illegible] or not reassume the rates passed the last Town meeting (respecting the rates of said [illegible] relative to ye building 2 meeting houses, with the [illegible] passed in the negative.

At the same meeting it was proposed, whether it was the mind of the town to enlarge the meeting house for the present, and to [illegible] a new one is built to stand on [illegible] place, and the vote being taken, passed in the [illegible]

At a town meeting in English, at the [illegible] of Oct. A.D. 1778 the town made choice [illegible] the Honorable Abiel Abbot Esqr. Moderator of said meeting the town [illegible] Capt. James Knowles concerning what is due to him from the town for rent for the house [illegible] the [illegible] in order to [illegible] the [illegible] Mr. John Paine (then Selectman for the time being) to make a [illegible] and [illegible] Capt. Abel Bradley [illegible]

[illegible] improve or employ any other person to the help of that affair if he shall judge it needful. [illegible] smaller market at the above said meeting, and is [illegible] to be entered in the minute book of Lincoln and is according [illegible]

[illegible] Jonas Fairbanks
[illegible] Edward Bowers
Samuel Freeman
Samuel Cole

At a town meeting legally [illegible] the 21st day of October 1778 it was voted to [illegible]

[illegible] further settling of the Rev.
[illegible] do what may be proper
[illegible] other gospel minister for the town
said town, and forasmuch as the Rev.
[illegible] taken his choice to settle in the Southerly
said town, the town do now thereupon raise
[illegible] that one hundred pounds be raised on the polls and
the inhabitants of said town (to the south
[illegible]
[illegible] very best accommodation him, and that
[illegible] pay the one half thereof collected and paid
to the Rev. Treasurer for the use aforesaid to the
[illegible] the year of our Lord next ensuing, and the other half
[illegible]
[illegible] and of said one hundred pounds
[illegible] manner with the rate
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
work of building
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

gally assembled for that end, do conclude and
settle at another gospel minister he aught to
for and invited into said town in order for
settlement in the work of the ministry and
according to gospel rule and order, and the
town of the determinate of said town in regard
that end, do determine that some suitable
manner and behalf of said town to invite such
gospel minister into said town in order for his
settlement in the work of the ministry, to whose
said the vote being called for by motion and
on the above invited past in the

for and invite into said town town a gospel
ister in order for his settlement in the

service compleated, per John Paine Town Clerk

Jan. 12. 1718/19 At a town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day
of January A. D. 1718/19 The Selectmen and Assessors
[illegible]
Town Treasurer these are to order you to pay
selectmen for the use of town charges as

transmit a warrant and a precept to
constable to warn [illegible]
Voted & the town that said [illegible]
town to [illegible] only that article at a shilling

[illegible] Master according to law. Mr. [illegible] chosen moderator for said town to make a particular rate & assessment to raise said sum & it appearing that the Town Treasurer is [illegible] by the town & [illegible]

& that the Selectmen & assessors are hereby ordered & directed to raise & levie the said sum of pounds on the town as the law directs, & occasion therefor. and it is further ordered & voted that the Selectmen in behalf of the town do humbly petition his Majesties Justices of the General Sessions of the peace to be holden in April next, to remit or abate said fine or order the disposing thereof to the [illegible] school in Eastham; and that Mr. Samuel Knowles do appear as the towns agent to present said petition, and any [illegible]

The town made choice of Mr Isaac Pepper to [illegible] & that he exam & good conversation, to come into [illegible]

[illegible] Mr Josiah Sparrow, Nicholas Snow, & Mr Isaac Cole Jun.

[illegible] as stated by the [illegible]

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 12th day of May A.D. 1719, warned to make choice of a Representative at the Town of Eastham at the Great & General Assembly at Boston &c. made choice of John Paine to serve for ensuing year at the Great & General Court &c.

At a Town meeting &c. ordered & warned to assess the Rate of Thirty pounds &c. to add one shilling per pound to the Rate granted the Town at the last Great & General Court &c.

At a Town meeting &c. ordered & warned to assess the Rate of Thirty pounds &c. to add one shilling per pound to the Rate granted the Town at the last Great & General Court &c.

... that he will, and do earnestly pray that such ...
... would with all convenient speed be pleased to dispose ...
... is pleased to incline to be more in and about the premises ...
... that so the said Benjamin Wakeman, as soon as ...
... he, have a full call unto, and settlement in the work of the ministry in said town, and that ...
... in the mean time there be due care by said town to ...
... for and provision made for the honourable ...
... port and encouragement of said Mr. Wakeman ...

... that said town have elected and settled him in the ...
... work, and that a committee be chosen to present the premises to him the said Mr. Benjamin ...
... behalf of said town to continue in the practice of the ...
... christian, in said town until the said Church & ...
... town ord. & proceed to the confirmation of the premises ...
... accordingly. ...

... accordingly, the polls being numbered ...
... by the moderator, there were present 76 & voted ...
... 64 voters were for the affirmative, and 12 for ...
... the negative; and pursuant thereunto the town ...
... a committee consisting of Capt. Thomas ...
... John Paine, Mr Isaac Pepper, Mr Daniel Cole ...
... and Mr Edward Norris for a committee to ...
... proceedings, and to invite him to continue in the ...
... the ministry, having such a general liking ...
... to his person, his gifts, and the said contract ...
... they shall be ready and willing to give him such ...
... encouragement as will be honourable to them ...
... and comfortable to him. However, that he may ...
... honourably quitt & for the time he doth ...
... may abide with us, by direction of the Select ...
... men. ...

... May 1719 legally warned and assembled ...
... to act and do what may be proper for making ...
... choice of and giving a fixed and final ...
... ing and satisfaction has preached ...
... God in said town, and the church ...
... hath in said town hearing chosen and ...
... from the said Mr. Benjamin Wakeman to be

...ber to be voted, that the sum of 60 pounds more be raisen
upon the ... said town of Eastham to the Southward of Blackfish ...
the next town rate to be made, and ... the payment ...
only for the use aboresaid, as is already ordered in the ...
Isaac Pepper Town Clerk for this day.
... by said town to be built at the Northerly part of ...
finished in the year 1720, and that the 300 pounds ...
... at or before the 15th day of April next in ye year 1720
October 1720, to be again delivered out to ye respective ...
called for by the aforesaid Act voted in the affirmative, ...
Isaac Pepper Town Clk. for this day.
per John Payne Town Treas.
At a town meeting in Eastham, orderly warned ...

to audit, adjust and
[illegible] with respect to their receipts and
[illegible]ments as agents for the town in building
[illegible]ing house at the Southerly end of ye town and
[illegible] Mr. Samuel Mayo and Jonathan Higgi[illegible]
[illegible] be a true representation to ye town at
Feb. 24. next [illegible] meeting proper thereof.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Comman. Fleet and a Genl. Assizes & ye Jews to be
Tried at Guinea

It was proposed by the moderator whether the Commission and Patent of a parcell of Land which lyes
between the said meeting house and the Town of
by the Majr. passed in the affirmative

May 9

A. D. 1720 ordered to make chaise & Assistants to
the Town be then Sworn into their
Court to be
use on Election on the 25th. May. A. D. 1720 and
the Town then voted to give him one shilling per day
for
ges five shillings per day

May 9

Gunneal people (who are by the General Court set
assistants in all matters relating to
passe the accounts and to
to make report verbally to the Court in that matter
the Town then made choice of

Capt. Samuel Sherman and John Paine who were
chosen by the Town to audit and adjust the
relating to their receipts and disbursements, also their
made return to the Town that the Treasurers are
owing to the Town

there remains 9 li. 11 s. & 8 d. wch
Town Treasurer, and it being
moderator whether the town did
just balance 3 pounds and 3 pence remaining
Voted that the town do accept of the
and that the town do discharge the sd
John Shannon, and also the sd Jam
granted by ye town the sixteen
pounds to build a meeting-
part of the town of Eastham,
to build a house for Mr Osburn
pounds to build a meeting-house in
the building a new meeting-house in ye South
house in ye middle part of ye town, it was thereof
main of the doing and finishing of said building
for it passed in the affirmative.
much time was taking
Voted that

[illegible] between and said town; said persons have ac-
[illegible] hereunto subscribed their names the day and
date written.

[illegible] said time John Rogers did declare that
[illegible] more consideration he would pay or give
[illegible] one pound and fifty
[illegible] to accordingly subs-
[illegible]

John Sparrow, Stephen Cole
[illegible] the above said town meeting viz- John Rogers
June 20, 1720 the above written pe
[illegible] of the above named Committee was publickly read
[illegible] propased by the moderator whether the to-
[illegible] rolling upon the consideration above said,
[illegible] ably and lovingly to accept of the said above na
[illegible] persons to joyn with them according to the ord
[illegible] the Generall Court, and also to accept of ja
[illegible], and the rode passed in the affirmative,
above said return of said committee is truly re
[illegible]

faithfully recorded;
per John Paine Town Clerk

[illegible] a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned
[illegible]
[illegible] charges arising
[illegible] in the same, and at said town meeting the town
made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman for ye order
[illegible]
[illegible] ye above said meeting the town ordered, gra
[illegible] granted that the sum of 30 pounds be (by the
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] and also notifications in and by said warning given for the town at said meeting to do what may be proper to be done relating to [illegible]

[illegible] Benjamin Stoal [illegible]

[illegible] warning of grass in highways & [illegible]

[illegible] Willingsall which said [illegible]

[illegible] Eastham and from town local [illegible] to said [illegible] meal [illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible] meeting [illegible] made [illegible] Joseph Doane Esq. for collector for said [illegible]

And at said meeting the town made choice [illegible]

[illegible]

January 1720/21 At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 16th day of January A. D. 1720/21 the town made choice of Capt. John Knowles and Jonathan Sparrel to serve the Jury at Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace to be holden at Barnstable on the 3d Tuesday in Jany.

January 1720/21 At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 27th day of March Anno Domini 1721 21 being & adjourned and met on said day and made choice of Samuel Sparrow to serve as Surveyor of highways for the ensuing year, and also to determine and [illegible] present the same with reference to selling the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[

Smith
& Jabez Fraker the
Higgins & Joseph Hayes

John Paine

Cole and Mr Edward Perry relating to the house
which was committed to them about building a
meeting house near Mr Webb's house

Voted on behalf to sell the old meeting house
to Jabez Fraker

A Proprietors meeting in Eastham ordered by ma
to met on the 22d day of March A.D. 1720
to consider and do what might be proper with respect
to an action at the inferior Court of Common
Pleas at Barnstable in October last and recovered
against the reputed Father of Benjamin Freeman
whereby the said Smith is likely to be the greatest
be indemnified &c. in some proper manner which
moderator at said meeting Voted that Mr Josh.
Paine and Mr Jonathan Linnel be and are
hereby authorized to be a committee in behalf of the
town and proprietors of said town to lay out to ye
right and proper heirs of ye said John Smith de-
ceased, so much money in some proper and su-
may satisfie the Sd Smith or his heirs a reason-
in the said Smith with his proportion of any
granted thereabouts, and that the said Co-
mittee make return to the Clerk of the town of
proprietors the situation and boundaries of the

made choice of Joseph Crane Esq. to be moderator
for said meeting.
And it was voted & chosen that the Inhabitants
aforesaid Qualified to vote in the choice of Deputies
to Represent them in the General Court
shall have a General Liberty to Vote for any
Person that is Qualified by the Law to be
a Representative for the Town of Eastham
at Harwich Boundary near the house of Nicholas
Snow along the Country Road to Samuel
Mayo's, and so on the Country Road by the
Meeting House, and so along by the Common Road
to the Head of Blackfish Creek, then
running a little to the Westward, passing along by
the house of Elisha Eldridge Jun. and so along to
the Herring River aforesd, and so over the Creek,
to the bounds of the Town of Truro. This Vote
passed in the Affirmative.

2.

Aug. A.D. 1721, Warned to make choice of a Person
to serve at the Great and General Court
or Assembly to be holden at Boston on the
Eighth day of August next ensuing the date hereof
for the Election of Councellors for the Province
aforesaid, and also to do and act in all other matters
and things that may then and there be proposed
and Lawfully Transacted at said Meeting,
being Legally Warned and met, the Town made
choice of Joseph Crane Esq. to serve at the Great and General Court
or Assembly aforesaid, he being present, declared his Assent

Sept. 1
(21)

Beck.

Massachusetts Bay. &c

meeting the Town made choice of Mr Sa

ed by the moderation

the Town to take their

granted by the General Co

the 11th March, 1720, to be distributed to

chusetts Bay as said Act & ye General Court

it was also at said meeting voted to chuse

portion of said money

made choice of Joseph Adams Esq.

Boardman Esq. Nathaniel Hu

man Esq. for Trustees for said Town to receive

the Town's proportion of the £50 000 in Bills of

ed by the General Co

9th year of his Majestie's reign; to be em

pursuant to said Court Act.

This Town voted that the said Trustees sha

id by said Town 6d. per pound for all

ive in after it is so let out — And it was also

Hopper, to be brought a-

y see cause,

that the £ money shall

cent interest per annum,

in Cashaw, orderly na

day of October A. D. 1721.

Jan. 3

Trustees are hereby ordered to pay to the Reps. and
said Hamlin [illegible] their Salaries and the rate

1722 At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 24th day
day of March Anno domini 1722 ordered, mayor
[illegible] for the Ensuing
[illegible]
year ensuing as the Law Requires [illegible]
Pleas & General Sessions of the Peace &c. and ye Sher
2 to serve on the Grand Jury for the following year,

Samuel Freeman Esq. Moderator

for Selectmen Mr. Samuel Mayo, Mr. Samuel
Knowles Jun. Mr. Edward Knowles, Mr. Isaac

for Town to have a Reg; Vote &c. Capt. Samuel Free
man, Mr. Samuel Mayo, Mr. Daniel Cole, Mr. Jon
athan Higgins [illegible] (Jun
for Constables Israel Cole Jun. John Smith John

for Grand Jurymen Isaac Deane, George Louis.
[illegible] Rogers, Benjamin Hamlin, R
ichard Knowles
for Town Clerk Jeremiah Smith Junr.
for Town Treasurer John Paine
for Town Assessors John Paine

On Consideration of the low circumstances of Richard
as is below with Mr. John Mulford, and his Estate

Mr. Richard Knowles to account John Paine concerning

being present; (accepted)
Whereas the Proprietors of the undivided meadow,

by the town made choice of Mr
Appleton for said town at the
Plaintiffs in Easthams
said petition should
be granted, or to say & do what may be proper in said
behalf with reference thereunto, and to imploy
an attorney if he shall see cause, to assist him in ye
premises.

Lot of meadow which were laid out in ye year 1703 and
pursuant to a vote of ye town in sd year when
the meadows were laid out it was therefore voted by sd
Capt Johnson
Ralph Smith, be a committee to view said lots
and report how many rods
meadow reserved for that end will be laid out, and
be done at the charge of them that have their lots a
mended.

At a Town meeting in Eastham, on the
to a lot of meadow formerly laid out
in ye Great meadow, and now in

the 31st day of Dec. 1722, Joseph Doane Esq. being
Inferior Court of Com. Pleas &c.

Town meeting in Eastham on the 2d
the following year, as also to elect and depute
trials at the next
Pleas at Barnstable

ye moderator whether
all mine shall go at large

, passed in the aff.

meeting on Easterday, warned accordg on
the 1st of May A. D. 1723, and warning given
10 o'clock and no hour named to reh
ye town at the General Court at Boston &c at
pursuant to a warrant from
that this be adjourned to ye house of
ere etc. It was voted, determined and ordered
ne, provided the town would allow him one shill
ance, it passed in the affirmative.

Voted and passed at the general session of the
at Barnstable &c. John Smart
, and Isaac Alvord.

meeting in Eastham &c, on the 19th
A. D. 1723 and notice given &c that
day and for the 2 ministers sal
school master &c at such
y Joseph Doane Esq. for
in polls and Estates, as the law
pounds, and give order
tles of said town, to collect &

July
1723 At a Town meeting in Eastham March 12
[illegible] Edward Smith was chosen moderator for this

[illegible]
[illegible] Town Clerk & Commissioner for the

March
1723/4 At a town meeting in Eastham on the 5th day
day of March A.D. 1723/4 being ordered, was
and voted and voted in and by said town
[illegible]
being year as follows, as also to
[illegible]
being 5th Sheep at the same time, as also
[illegible]
[illegible] the Town at the
[illegible]
[illegible] Edward Smith
[illegible] Town Clerk
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] a Town meeting in Eastham [illegible] following [illegible] in order to prevent the disorderly driving [illegible] shearing time annually as also to do what [illegible] proper [illegible] to swine going at large [illegible] do what may be proper in order to the [illegible] day to chuse Grand Jurors and a petty Jury [illegible] Town meeting the Town made choice [illegible] and [illegible] for a moderator &c.

The Town made choice of [illegible] Thomas Gross [illegible] the Town [illegible] and for them to serve on the Jury of Inquest [illegible] Jail [illegible] the Town that swine should go at large [illegible]

[illegible] present accepted, and the Town [illegible] ignment more than is allowed by Law.

Voted by the Town, that the Committee who were [illegible] the Town, and did sell and dispose of the [illegible] be allowed their reasonable [illegible] for their trouble and that they pay in the rem[illegible]

[illegible] Selectmen Should Lay out [illegible] Road [illegible] Easterly to the Bay, and [illegible] all ways on the Northern side and [illegible] Town of Eastham Common on the Sou[illegible]

such as need it & Relief.

[illegible]

they be Complained to or desired by some person

1724 At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 5th day of July A. D. 1724 warned and met, and voted in and by said warning given, that it was to take care and order the raising of money on the polls and estates of the taxable inhabitants and Defendences of the Town of Eastham, for the use in carrying and paying the ministers salary, and the County and Town's necessary charges, and at meeting the Town made choice of Capt. [illegible] to moderate for a moderator for said meeting.

The Town ordered and voted that the Selectmen do forthwith assess the taxable inhabitants within the Town of Eastham (and others as ordered by the Gen. Co[urt]) on their polls, and Estates the sum of £280, and order to the respective Constables to collect and pay the same, each one their respective portion taken out of the Treasurer, the one moiety on or before the last day of November, and the other moiety on or before the last day of April which will be in the year of our Lord 1726, which said money is to be improved for paying the 2 ministers salaries, the main [illegible] portion of the County Rate which shall be assessed in them for this year, and other necessary Town charges

Oct. 12 1724 At a Town meeting in Eastham on Monday the 12th day of October, Anno Domini 1724 and warned by said warning given, that it was to chuse Jurymen for the next Court the Selectmen of Eastham, and at said meeting the inhabitants then met, made choice of [illegible]

[illegible]

Eastham at Harwich on June, and Sandwich [illegible] to serve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Barnstable

Jan. 11 1724 At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 11th day of January A. D. 1724 warned and met by a warning given, that it was to chuse Jurymen to the next Court, at Barnstable, the Town to chuse one or more to agree to provide the Town house [illegible]

which was at the Session in Oct. last for not having
town made choice of Joseph Crane Esq. for a modera-
tor for said meeting.

The town made choice of Samuel Crane junr. a
constable Higgins and Nathan Crane to serve on the
[illegible]

The town made choice of Mr. Jonathan Linnell and
[illegible]
ing a pound in the North precinct.

Mar. 15 At a Town meeting in Topsham on
[illegible]
and meeting on the 15th day of March A. D. 1724/5 and
Town notice given &c. that it was to chuse Town Officers for
Mtg. [illegible]
men to serve on the Jury of Inyalls at the next In-
ferior Court of Common Pleas &c. and to make choice
of 2 men to serve as Grand jurymen for ye following
year &c. also to consider and do what may be
proper relating to ye exchanging some land with
Mr. Samuel Crane jr.
rough some of his land at the head of the Cove and
at said meeting the town made choice of Joseph C-
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Whereas it is observable that the birds

of the Selectmen of this Town, be or they are
hereby and by these presents authorized and impowered
to agree for every 12 heads which they shall
kill, and bring in, and so proportionably,
shall be allowed & paid for any young birds
birds heads which shall be killed and brought
in within said term being such as are
imperfect from other birds, and so paid for
ordinable for any greater or less number.

Mar. 13
1724 At a Town meeting in Eastham as

Lose the land on the Northwestern side
which did formerly enclose the said land
also a convenient passway for persons &
Wains at the easterly end of this Town

May 19
1725 At a Town meeting in Eastham May 19th
to represent ye Town at a Gen

and Rams. At the same meeting the
choice of Joseph Doane for a moderator
accepted, provided the com
alone, which was granted by ye Court.

1742 At a Com meeting in Eastham on the 17 day
ye first day of June annually during s[aid] Term

at the dwelling house of Dea. Edward Atwater, at the dwelling house of George Brown and at the [illegible] are sheep running at large to ye Northward of the [illegible] such sheep to sheer them on the 10th. annually and annual hope, and that all [illegible] all do so drive out to shear and put them to ye [illegible]

1725. At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 16th day of Aug. 1725 orderly warned and met; and made care was over the raising of money [illegible] ord, and all other necessary Town and County [illegible] moderator for said meeting.

The town ordered and voted that the Selectmen do forthwith assess the rateable inhabitants of this (as ordered by ye General Court) on their polls & estates, the sum of £3 00, and give order to ye respective Constables, [illegible] one their respective proportion to them committed the one moiety on or before the last day of Nov. [illegible] this town for this year, and [illegible] as necessary Town charges

July 16 1725 At a Town meeting in Eastham July ye 16th 172[illegible]

[illegible] relating to his receipts and disbursements [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Dec. 27
'25.

[illegible] ship in Dunstable on the 27th day
[illegible] meeting the town was assembled
[illegible] choice of Sqr. John Cole, Mr. David
[illegible] and Mr. Daniel Smith to serve on the Ju
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
as the Law directs, and also to consider of and d
do what may be proper to be done for the suppo
[illegible] and also to m
ear, and then to serve on the Jury at Ly at the
the next Inferior Court of Common Ple
[illegible] Squire Coy. for moderator of said
[illegible] And at said meeting the town ma
de choice for Town [illegible] the following year
as followeth viz:
[illegible]
[illegible] Surveyors — Mr. Isaac Pollard, Mr. Edw
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] extraordinary the sum of
[illegible] Jabez Shaw & Jonathan Young
[illegible] and Keeper — Jeremiah Smith
[illegible] Wardens — Joseph Cole, William Wallace
[illegible] Constables
[illegible] Major John
[illegible]
[illegible]

Inserted Mr. Samuel Smith & Mr. Isaac Coare
for Grand Jurymen Mr. Jonath: Emmet & Mr
Thomas Hall Jun.r Mr. Benjamin Hamlin &
Then by vote of the Town the meeting was adjourned
to tomorrow 10 of the Clock forenoon, and a notice
then given to the Town Clerk to warn further
adjournment, that they should then consider and
direct in what manner the grand jurors shall be
and proportion of money which the Town raised for
the Province Treasurer, to their last rate £21,
At the aforesaid Town meeting, continued by adjourn-
ment to Thurs. March 5th 1725/6 on consider-
ation of the difficulty which happened relating
to the Town proportion with £50, out in Bills of
Credit, granted by the General Court in the year
and dated 1720 of which Eastham's proportion is
466 pounds and 10 shillings, which said Bills
Town of Eastham received and committed to
Joseph Doane, & Nathaniel Hamblen, and
Capt. Samuel Freeman Gentleman, as trustees in
said Town to let out said Bills, to
according to such instructions and directions
as they then received from said Town: but that
upon their more mature well weighed mature
management of that affair, it was then
aforesaid meeting proposed to the Town by
order of the said Town trustees which
in what the right and interest in and to said
of Credit committed to said Trustees as afore-
said and they the said trustees required give ful-
ficient security to pay said Town of Eastham their
said Town by trustees from any damage that
may which may be given or accrue to said Town
of Eastham through any failure which shall
shall accrue by reason of said Bills
of Credit not being paid unto the Province Treas-
[illegible]
proposed by declaration as aforesaid, and the vote
was put by the moderator it passed in the
affirmative: And in order thereunto, and that
the matter might be carried on to effect the
Town then made choice by vote of Joseph
Doane & Samuel Freeman & Isaac
Cole as trustees for the Town to be
made good unto said Town
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Exec[r] [illegible] Administrators for the lawful recovery
[illegible] of the respective persons to whom it is by
[illegible] will do what may be further neces
[illegible] to enable them thereto

[illegible] on Wednesday the 22[d] day of Ju
[illegible] Knowles was chosen Clerk for the ye
[illegible] Spencer moderator, and Sam[l] Cram

[illegible] for the paying the ministers salary,
[illegible] ying the school charges and other necessa-
[illegible]ges arising within said town, and at s[d]
[illegible] Mr. Edm[d] Knowles was chosen moderator
[illegible] ordered and voted, that ye Selectmen (who are
[illegible]
Estates the sum of three hundred & twenty pounds,
[illegible] Commit the list or lists of s[d] Assessment to the
[illegible]sitive Constables, and order them to collect and
[illegible]

[illegible] ye town, [illegible] as shall be orderly set on s[d] town, and other ne-
[illegible]cessary charges as shall arise within said town.

[illegible] a Town meeting in Easham on the 10th
[illegible]ing of October A. D. 1726. orderly warned to ma-
[illegible]ke choice of 4 men to serve on ye Jury of Trials at the
[illegible] Inferior Court of Common pleas &c. on the
[illegible] October, and at said meet-
[illegible]de choice of Mr. Josiah Ha-
[illegible]er - and at said meeting Deacon
[illegible]h Cole William Walker & James B

Samuel Doane to serve on the Grand Jury at the above
[illegible] to serve on the Jury of Trialls at ye said Court.

At a Town meeting in Eastham, orderly warned &
met on Wednesday the 10th. day of May A. D. 1727
and notice ye given that it was to nominate and
chuse one or two men to serve as Representatives at
[illegible]
Boston on Wednesday the 31st day of May, and
also to consider and do what may be proper to
[illegible]
serve as the Representative as aforesaid, which be-
ing present, declared his acceptance.

June 26

[illegible]
of June A. D. 1727, Warned to make choice of
men to serve on the Jury of Trialls at the next in-
ferior Court of Common Pleas and General Se
ssions &c. — At said meeting Samuel Freeman
Junr. was chosen moderator, — and at said m-
eting the Town made choice of Mr. Joseph [illegible]
[illegible]
to serve on ye Jury of Trialls as aforesaid.

July 26
1727 At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly war-
ned and warned on the 17th day of July last, a-
and notice ye given, that it was to take care
to raise money to defray and pay the Ministers' Salary and to pay the County and Town
charges necessarily arising therein for the ye
following, and at said meeting the Town
made choice of Capt. Samuel Freeman Junr. for the
moderator of said meeting.

It was ordered and voted that the Select-
men for the time being do forthwith assess the
[illegible]
order
[illegible]
385 pounds, and commit the list of the
[illegible]
order them to collect and pay in each
his respective part of said Assessment, &c.
[illegible]

kept at the Court house in Eastern
Comment as also for the Town to deli
the Constable shall remove the servant
at the Gen. Court as aforesaid

Neil Kimball — — 00-05-00

Tryalls at the next Inferior Court
on the 3d Tues. in January
of Mr Isaac Parker and m

year as the law directs, and also to chuse 2
Jurymen to serve for the following year, and
to serve on the Jury of Tryalls at the next In-
Court of Common Pleas &c. also to chuse five
ful men, 2 where of to serve on the Grand Jury
livery to be holden at Stamford, and
on the Jury of Tryalls at said Court and
ing the town made choice of Joseph Do
meeting the Town made choice of John
Clerk and Town Treasurer
by the moderator at the motion
, whether it was the mind of the to-
affirmative, and accordingly the to
el Freeman Jun. and Israel Cro
Chair of them to have a negative

[illegible] Knowles £100, to David Deacon
[illegible] Smith £100 Israel Cole £100, Martha
£40, Benjamin Higgins £80, and to Thomas
£1, 15s. provided that respectively give [illegible]
[illegible] the Town shall [illegible]
[illegible] on the £4 per cent annually, to the
[illegible] and the principal according as to
[illegible] Treasure

affirmative: and accordingly a-
meeting the Town made choice of Nathan
Doan Esq, Mr Edward Knowles and John
[illegible] Trustees in the above affair, to take out the
proportion of the £60 abo, and to let it out
as the Law provides and the Town ord
see them sworn as the Law directs.

[illegible] minded that Pasture Town
[illegible] Hayes his bill whereby he is
Constable, shall be abated with ye Constable, as
it passed in the affirmative.

At a Town meeting in Eastham on the 24th day
June A.D. 1728, warned to chose 3 men to serve in
the Jury of Tryalls at the next Inferior Court of Com-
pleas at Mr. Isaac Cooper being chosen moderate
for from at said meeting made choice of Samuel
[illegible]

[illegible] eeting in Eastham, orderly warned
[illegible] Monday the 16th day of Sept. 1728,
[illegible] Town that it was to do with re
money for the ministers Salary, and to defray the
other necessary charges arising in said Town.

[illegible] Town that [illegible] Town
[illegible] do forthwith assess the rateable
[illegible] the Town of Eastham, and such
[illegible] to the Gen. Court to pay Town
[illegible] of the ministry, and their pole
[illegible] Sum of 350 pounds, and com
[illegible] ers to the respective Constables
[illegible] order them to collect and

[illegible] £120. annum to Mr. Webb £120. both for the year current — the remainder is in the power of the Select men for paying the County rate that shall be set on the town by the Justices [illegible]

Sept. 30 1724. At the (town) meeting made choice of Joseph Cook to be Town Treasurer

and met on Monday the 30th day of Sept. 1724 [illegible] men of 4 good and lawful men to serve on the petit jury at Inferior Court of Common Pleas &c, and at said meeting the town made choice of Capt. Samuel Green and [illegible] and the town made choice of Mr. Daniel Cole, Deacon Doane, Jonathan Smith and Thomas Snow, to serve

Jan. 20 1724 At a town meeting in Eastham the 20 day of January A.D. 1724 legally warned and met, and notice [illegible] given, that it was to choose

[illegible] Mr. Joseph Higgins, Town Clerk for the year ensuing

Mar. 10 1724 as aforesaid,

At a town meeting in Eastham, orderly warned and met on Monday the 10th day of March A.D. 1724 and notice [illegible] given, that it was to choose [illegible]

and men to serve on the petit jury at Inferior Court of Com. Pleas [illegible]

Town moderator.

The Town made choice for Town Clerk, John Paine

Treasurer — John Paine

(Of which the town voted to chuse two Assessors) Mr. Israel Cole, Mr. Saml. Freeman

The negative vote Mr. Capt. Samuel Freeman, Samuel Cole, Samuel Mayo, Jonathan Higgins, Jabez Snow,

Watchmen

— Jabez Snow, Nath[l] Doane, John Allin (Coast)

Keeper — Jeremiah Smith Junr.

answer the said Town's presentment the last Court at Barnstable for not choosing Hogreeves according to law.

It was proposed by the moderator whether

vote being taken by the moderator, it passed in the affirmative.

That there be a way laid out from

from his land to ye Roadway.

Whereas at the aforesaid meeting

was for Grand Jurymen it

No. 7

1729 At a Town meeting in Eastham orderly warned

jury of Inyalls at the next Superiour Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol Delivery to be holden at Barnstable on the first Tuesday of April, and at said meeting Jose[ph] the Town made choice of David

[illegible] Innes, John [illegible]
and Israel Evans.

[illegible] Assembly [illegible] and the 15th day of [illegible] 1782 [illegible]
notice be given, that all the freeholders and resident
inhabitants being duly qualified to vote for
Representatives in the General Assembly appointed to be holden at
the Court-House in Easton, on
Monday, the 28th day of March inst. for the
purpose of electing Representatives for the said County at the
said time, and also to consider of proper persons to represent
the said County in the Delegates Court of Appeals, to be held
at Easton, the 28th day of March inst. for the purpose of
choosing Delegates to serve as Constable for the
town in the room of Christian Shrawder deceased.

Whereas there is a town act now passed to the
same purpose, by which a general town meeting is
unnecessarily directed to be held on the
first Tuesday in April, which has been found by
experience to be inconvenient, and
whereas it is thought necessary that the
[illegible] should be altered, that
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

assessed, made

necessary charges arising within said Town, as
Town Treasurer Mr. Samuel Knowlton laid to my
view a record that he finds in the Book of Records
bearing date May the 10th 1708, which Mr. Johnson
was made & ordained to go over his land over by the
[illegible]
ering and the aforesaid Town meeting is [illegible]
aforesaid, that the Selectmen (who are [illegible] Assessors
[illegible]
Inhabitants of said Town (and such others as
are ordered by the General Court to pay Town and the
support of the ministry in Eastham) on their polls
& Estates as the Law directs - the sum of 350 pounds
& commit the list thereof to the respective Constables of said Eastham, and order them to collect

and the other half on or before the last
named, viz: To pay the ministers salary 220 pounds
[illegible]
nds, and to Mr. Benjamin Webb 120 pounds, both for the year current, the remainder to pay the
[illegible]
within said Town of Eastham. This
[illegible]
the words "by" in the 12th line of a record in
a warrant on the back of the (Cove) page
205 should be razed out,

meeting in Eastham, [illegible]
15th day of Oct. A.D. 1729.

March
1720 At a Town Meeting in Eastham
ed and met for choosing Town Offi
ers and petit Juries, on the 4th d

Then made choice of Mr Israel Cole,
ousel Mr Joseph Rogers, for Selectmen
Then made ch. of Deac Edward Bangs
Then made choice of Jonathan Smith for
Constables for s[d] Town — then made choice of s[d]
Deacon Jun. for one of the Constables of said Town
made choice of Daniel Mayo for one of s[d]
ables of said Town.

and Elisha Paddock Jun. for Surveyors
Then made choice of Joseph Atwood
and Nathaniel Higgins for Fence viewers

Then made choice of Capt Samuel Freeman
Mr Isaac Mayo Deac. Josiah Howes, Deac. Edward
Bangs & Deac. Jonathan Higgins for Regulators
Then made choice of Joshua Sparrow & Josiah
sent to serve on the Grand Jury
ual Jurors to the Sessions for the ensuing year.
Then made choice of Joseph Mayo.

of same one of the Constables that

orderly warned and assembled
warning it was to chuse 6 good and lawful men, two
of them to serve on the Grand Jury, and 4 on the Jury
Daniel Freeman Jun. was chosen to serve on the Jury of
Inyalls at paid Court

to Elect and depute one or more persons to
Court or assembly appointed to be convened held &
for his Majesties service at Harvard College in
Cambridge upon Wednesday the 25th day of May
Higgins to serve as Representative as above said,
for the premises that he sd Mr Joshua Higgins shall

the next Court of Common Pleas &c. We inhabitants assembled as the law directs, first made choice of a Moderator for moderating for said meeting, and proceeded as aforesaid.

made choice of John Freeman Agent to answer said Indictment

for the relief of Zebulon Brown's wife, who is now in no house suitable to entertain her.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 24th day of January 1730/31 warned to chuse a Coroner and have [illegible] the Town made choice Capt. John Freeman as aforesaid, and he accordingly

warned by vote for settling a [illegible] pursuant to the Kings Instructions, also then with the return of Deac. Edward Knowles, Mr Israel Cole's returns of accounts made up with Mr. John Freeman Treasurer, the 9th day of March 1730.

Entered by Joseph Doane Town Clerk.

At a Town [illegible] the 10th day of the middle meeting-house in Eastham are there to make choice of Selectmen, Constables also to do what else might be done in allowing and ordering a highway laid out by the Selectmen of Town, and also another highway laid out for the neighbours thereabouts from Nathaniel Snow's house to the Common Road, and also another highway laid out for the use of the neighbours from the highway by Elisha Cobb's to the eastward of Benjamin Cobb's land, and so along by Israel Higgins his land to the [illegible] concerning the ministerial land at the north end of said town of Eastham, and to run the [illegible] meeting - at which meeting Deac. Edward Knowles [illegible] whether they would chuse a Selectman by nomination or by proxies and it being the most regular and has been the

Smith, at whose request said Gray engages
to ... from time to time, keep the Ferry in ...
over the ...

Ordered for his encouragement, to pass and repass
... and charge, Ferriage by the town to cease
... out.

... Joseph Mayo and also was chosen for ...
... malgerous, Dea. Barnard Knowles, & Daniel Doane.

... ol to Boston and attending there as Representat...
... the Great-Court ... this year and ...
... shall ... at ... for ... the ... Capt. ...
... and not otherways.

It was then voted, that the Committee's returns
... the Town ... to ... accomptes ...
Edward Knowles, Town Treasurer, have accordingly
... ye 22d day of March 1731, audited accomptes ...
... them right, and there remains due to the ...
... from the last balance in the book bearing ...
... March 9th 1730, to this day in the hands ...
... and still remains due from the Constables

of the Town of Eastham £131. 11s. & 10d
074 = 14 = 05
131 = 11 = 10

206 = 06 = 05

131 = 11 = 1
74 = 14 =

£ 206 = 06 =

And signed by — Isaac
Samll Freeman

Entered per
Joseph Doane, Town Clerk.

[illegible] then made choyce for poll[illegible] Joseph Doane
[illegible] Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham, the 12th
of August 1731, warned to raise money to pay
Town proportion of the County Rate for the yeare
past, and for paying School masters and other
proper Town Charges. The inhabitants being accordingly assembled made choyce of Mr. Israell
for Moderator for said meeting, and then ordered
[illegible]
[illegible]
Rates of the ratable inhabitants of said Town for the
[illegible]
Town who are by Law Assessors, do forthwith make
a Rate upon the Polles and Estates of the inhabitants of said Town accordingly to Law, and direct
their Rate Bill so made, unto the Constable & Constables
[illegible]
said Constables to Collect and pay in the same
unto Publick Bills of Credit made this Province
of said Town, or to his Successor in that office
one half part thereof on or before the Last day of Decr
next and the other half on or before the Last day of
April next, 1732, for the use aforesaid.

Voted Nem. Con. Joseph Doane, Town Clerk.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 11th day
[illegible]
[illegible]
of Higgins Jun. Joseph Smith Jun. James Smith
Jonathan Sparrel for petit Jurismen for Crt. Com

Dec. 21, 1731 Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 27th day
December 1731 to make choyce of petit Jurymen for
Court of Sessions and Inferior Court then made choyce of
Israell Esqr. Richard Mayo, Elisha Higgins
Elisha Cobb for Jurismen for the next Court

Jan. 1. Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 10th day
of January 1731, & warned to choose an agent for this
Town Officer for the year ensuing, as also to consider

for the use of said town, as also to make
Assessmen for the year ensuing, and pettit
the next Court as also to make all charges of the
then Joseph Doane Esq was chosen
the year ensuing, and then also Deacon
Assessors Collectors — then also Samuel Deane Jr
Capt Amos Wixam William Paine, Crowell Hudson Clerk,
also Nathaniel Doane. Daniel Smith and Ab
Hardin were chosen Constables — then also W
Crowell, Jonathan Cole, and William Smith
Sylvingsmen — then also John Paine, S
Higgins Jr. Elisha Higgins, Ebenezer Higg
Higgins — then also Israel Doane, Samuel Doane,
and Isaac Doane were chosen Fenceviewers — then
also Roger Thomas, and Jeremiah Mayo were
Court — then also James Rogers, Shebuhel Mayo
Isaac Doane, Stephen
Assessors for the Superior Court — then also vo
a sum for receiving in and paying out the S
Salaries —
Voted
Voted
John Knowles Representative for the year ensu
then also chose Mr. Isaac Pepper & Samuel
Coming his Accts of the Town's money & to make
Town meeting —
Joseph Doane Town Clerk
in Eastham the 19th day
and Court

[illegible] Richard Sp[illegible]

[illegible] oper in what the Selectmen should say before the
was considered but nothing voated. as also t[illegible]
with, which was then determined and voted
that Israel Mayo be desired to take the care of
[illegible]
or circumstances require for the term of one
next coming, and that he also afford her nec-
sary attendance as her circumstances shall r-
quire, and that he be paid for all the same out
the town Treasury to procure such things as th
apothecaries as may be proper to mitigate her
dily infirmities.
Also at the above said meeting, voted in the affir-
ing of said meeting to consider the circumstance
of Joshua Cook the same being considered, it was
concluded and voted that the Selectmen shou
draw 15 pounds out of the Town Treasury to di
charge Doctor John Dunkin's demand, therewit
[illegible]
the said 15 pounds could not discharge said de
[illegible]
again. Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

At a Town meeting [illegible] Eastham the 3d day of
[illegible]

[illegible] other proper town charges that said town by law [illegible] to answer & perform — and that [illegible] current publick bills of Credit to the [illegible] one half thereof on or before the last day of Novem[illegible] and the other half on or before the last day of April next — 1733, Voted to be entered and entered — Joseph Doane, Town Clerk

[illegible] the aforesaid Town meeting — that the sum [illegible] the Town Treasury by the Selectmen of s[illegible] for the use of ordaining Mehitable Smith to [illegible]

Sept 11 1732 [illegible] the choyce of a suitable pe[illegible] Constable to fill up the va[illegible] for said town to do what may be proper for obt[illegible] meeting [illegible] shall appoint, shall lay the [illegible] for obtaining the [illegible] Selectmen give order to the Town Treasurer for [illegible]

Oct 3. 1732 [illegible] Cole, John Knowles Jr, Jeremiah S[illegible] Court

Entered pr. Joseph Doane Town Clerk

Jan. 17. On the 19th day of March 1732/3

made choice of Joshua Crouch James Smith and John Wil-
son for the Riverside — Then made choice of William
Avery Jr. Peter Walter and William Cassell for Hog Island
— Then made choice of Capt. Freeman Samuel Hayes Esq
Col. Cleaves Stephen and Joseph Cranmer for Negro Neck
— Then made choice of Roger Thomas for Round Roope
all for the ensuing year — and then the said meeting

[illegible]

[illegible] Joseph Dean Town Clerk.

[illegible] in Casco in the 26th day of
March 1733 — by adjournment from Mon. the 19th
[illegible] Constable & exhibited (accepted) — then Joseph Libbie
[illegible]

March 26th 1733 —

[illegible]

Act [illegible]
[illegible] Com. pursuant to an act made in the 11th year of
the Reign of King George deceased — entitled, An Act
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] of said town their respective Divisions or Dist-
icts for mending or repairing of highways, from
time to time in said Casco, lying within their respec-
[illegible] and commanded to observe & perform unto that is to say, the two Sur-
veyors residing and living in the Southerly part of
said town, their part or division for mending the
highways in said town is from the Stroud
Water Bridge to Stroud Water Bridge [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] this Gutter, at the head of the Cedar Swamp, to the new
Road by Isle Thorn —
[illegible] & also that the 2 Surveyors that live in the Middle
[illegible]
[illegible] — from the [illegible] to the [illegible] what
— [illegible] breadth [illegible]
[illegible]

Northerly part of said Town thence East and [illegible]
to three hundred from Sea to Sea and there we [illegible]
ensuing year & forward till a further [illegible] other
meeting be determined.
Entered & Recorded
March 26. 1733 per me.

James Hagar
Samuel Town
Joseph Dane, Just. Pa.

April 1st, 33, warned to chuse 2 Freeholders & [illegible]
petit Jurismen for the next Superiour Court of Judicature
and Court of Assize & General Gaol Delivery
then Edward Winter & Samuel Doane were chosen
to serve on the Grand Jurie... and then Ensign [illegible]
for Joseph Dane Town Clerk.

1733. At a Town meeting in Eastham the 23d day, pursuant
said Town at the Seat and General Court for the
and Name for Representative
who accordingly accepted
It being also inserted in the warrant for calling
said meeting, also to do what may be proper to
any disallowed about [illegible]
[illegible] relating to the [illegible] going at large, and the
[illegible] said Town, and the vote passed in the
[illegible] Eastham, per Joseph Dane Town

June 25 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 25th day
[illegible] for the Grand Jurie... Nathaniel [illegible]
[illegible] Smith, Isaac Higgins, Nathaniel Hagar

Aug 8

[illegible] 1733 was [illegible] then chosen

rising in said Town. Dea. Edward Arnold
[illegible] to raise the sum of £145 for the
ends and uses aforesaid, and that the Assessors for
dates of the Rateable inhabitants of said Town to defr
ay the same, and deliver the list or lists of such rate
to the Constables of said Town, for them to Collect &
[illegible] in the same to the Town Treasurer or his succes
[illegible] day of April next, to be paid out as the law
directs for the uses aforesaid.

Oct.

Dea. Jonathan [illegible]

Then also made Choyce [illegible]
Philus Paine, Samuel Brown and Elisha [illegible]
[illegible]
for the next Court. Samuel Freeman, Israel Cole, Jo
[illegible]
easury to discharge what was due from Joshua
in his late bodily ailments then also voated that In
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

1733/4

...ch person, and the number of Old or young ...ceived— and the Town Treasurer upon ... and one penny for every young ... every old blue bird's head, etc.

... him 2 pence halfpenny on the pound for all ...

... April 1734, named to chuse Grand Jurimen and ... for the Inferior Court of Pleas ...

... ings named to chuse a Representative to serve ... upon ye. also to do what might be proper ... ing Som lands laid out for the Indi ... Samuel Smith, for Som of his lands in ... Town— also to consult and provide proper means for ... regulating the improvement of the Common Lands ... then made choyce of Mr. William Paine for the ... ment to Nathaniel Bent, and return their ... to the Town Clerk, to be recorded to him.

Then also voated— That upon the Indians request to the Town, that said Town should exchange ... former land laid out at James his Neck at ... gate, for the use of the Indians for Som ... of Samuel Smith's, as the Negative men

shall judge equivalent to that [illegible] and James
[illegible] said [illegible] Negroes of [illegible]
[illegible] lands of land at James [illegible] to the Town [illegible]
same shall be recorded to said Smith [illegible]
in that the [illegible] Smith [illegible] said [illegible]
Deed of Conveyance of the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] executed [illegible] [illegible] and
said land so granted [illegible] recorded [illegible]
[illegible] of the Inhabitants of said Town [illegible]
at James his [illegible] before [illegible] said [illegible]
[illegible] of the month [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] was adjourned to the [illegible]
[illegible] day of [illegible] at 10 a the Clock in the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] agreement with the Select [illegible]
to do [illegible] as per [illegible] relative to said [illegible]

June 3 At the Adjournment of the Town meeting
the 13th of May 1734. held at the [illegible]
house in Eastham, to the 3d day of June 1734
then Voted and Concluded that all the Pa
Division Land, meadow & Sedge ground in said East
Commonage but and granted by said Town and
not recorded to record in said Town Book of Re
ords and all the Common Land Town and Land
and Committed to record by the Proprietors of
Common Land, so called in said East [illegible]
Surveyor should be and hereby is [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] persons to whom the same is so [illegible]
[illegible]

Also then at said meeting it was Voted and
determined that the former Agreement [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

Timothy Cole, Ralph Smith and
Joane shall be a Committee to make Prais
ing and Improving the
Land in said Eastham
at their report at the adjournment
ing then said meeting was adjou
to 3d day next to receive said Commit
ty annual judge proper.
Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

adjournment from the 3d day of
accordingly being assembled at the
Commencing, viz June 10, 1734 then
will and do in consideration of 5 pounds
to be paid into said town by Ralph
to and lying within the Township of Eastham from this day until the last day of
Excepting only that part which is
to particular persons for pasturing in Nas
said Common Meadow or
praise any of said Common Meadow or
and to chose such order for cutting
time of cutting on said Common meadow
mere a vote for the same in his observation.
Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk
the town by vote made choyce of Nath
Land & Sedge ground to Ralph Smith, Jo
Doane, James Sisson and Thomas Ma
pursuant to the vote of said town at this
vote being called for by them
at last decided by the Selectmen

June 24 1734

House of Commons Grant for Hyam

the performance

[illegible]

1734 [illegible]

[illegible]

1734 [illegible]

on Wednesday 13th of November aforesaid, then to do what is proper in said Town of Eastham

ning the aforesaid 5 Towns to be a new County from the County of Barnstable, for such he ay be given = the said Town of Eastham accordingly met = and made choyce of Capt Samuel Knowles for moderator for said meeting purposed, and by a unanimous vote ma

& to the premises =

Recorded pr Joseph Doane Town Clerk.

John Sparr, Philothius Paine. Justices of the Inferiour Court of Com

a Town meeting in Eastham the 11th day of 1734/5 warned to chuse all Town officers for the ensuing, and to allow or disallow of several pro laid out by the Selectmen of said Town = as order about £30 pounds of the Town's money in William Paines hands, and the remainder out the Town Treasury to make up the Town's County

that was raised this present year for the Schoolmaster = also for chusing petit Jurymen Constables and Town Officers =

Capt Samuel Knowles, Samuel Doane and

March 1745

Then Stephen Spencer Thomas Olmsted, Ebenezer Eldredge, Eleazer Carpenter

Then Israel Crane, Ebenezer Higgins, Jabez Hamlin, Caleb Cobb, Daniel Smith, Elisha Eldredge & Ebenezer Hamlin chosen Surveyors of Wrecks

Then Jeremiah Smith, Isaac Smith & Ebenezer Hamlin chosen fence viewers

Then David Young Jun, Thomas Hedge and Ebenezer Hamlin, chosen Sealers of Leather

Then Nathaniel Doane and Joseph Smith chosen

Also at said meeting the 15th of March 1745 it being inserted in the Warrant for calling said meeting to see if the Town would join in the road that was chosen in March Town meeting last past and refused to done

And then Thomas Hedge Thomas Hedge Jun

out of the Town Treasury £2-18s 5d to make up

the Town's Quota, Tale and

Delinquents shall draw out of the Town's Treasury

the Charge of Collection that they pay

Then Joseph Doane Jun Clerk

...eting in Eastham the 14th day ...
...to chose Grand Jurymen and ...
...
...Jurymen
...meeting then made ...
...Freeman Junr Israel Cole for Grand Jur...
...made choyce of Nathaniel Freeman ...
...Doane and James Mc...

...a Town meeting in Eastham 15th day of May ...
...named to chuse a Representative to represent said ...
...at a Great and General Court at Boston the ...
...year then Ralph Smith was chosen Representative ...
...Also Nathaniel Freeman Esqr was chosen ...
...
...ought to proper for an Indictment for killing black ...
...birds, Crows &c. Voted that the same Indictment ...
...pass out of the Town meeting for killing crows, ...
...ox birds and blue birds as was paid at last year ...
...by the Vote of said Town at a Town meeting the 15th ...
...day of March 1733 4 and that the same rules and ...
...orders be observed as in that Vote was to be ...
...
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...ge of the Law suit that had with Edward Kem...
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...
...paid to the Town Treasurer.
...
Voted that Joseph Doane junr ...
and recorded to him about one acre of Common ...
...
...the Negative even Shall See Cause to Lay ...
...

...Town meeting in Eastham June 10, 1734 ...
...ed to chuse a Grand Jurieman for the ...
...Nathaniel Deanes ...
...Petit Juriemen for the ...
...
...Common pleas &c. Also to do ...
...proper in granting liberty to Mr. ...
...and Voted and Ordered that Mr. ...

Aug. 13 1735

At a Town meeting the 13th day of August
[illegible]

1735 At a Town meeting the 13th day of August
[illegible]

1735 At a Town meeting the 13th day of August
[illegible]

[illegible] deed of land to Joshua Brown near Daniel Brown's dw[illegible]
[illegible] Ordered that the [illegible]
[illegible] and Knowles being chosen moderator for [illegible]
[illegible] then Voted that the leasees of the com-
mon and undivided meadow or Sedge-ground shall
have and receive out of the Town Treasury for their
[illegible] them, sd leasees, to bring forward an action in the
[illegible] if needful, against any trespassers that shall be
[illegible] passed upon the aforesaid Common and undivi-
ded meadow this present year — Also at the aforesaid
[illegible] Voted & Ordered that [illegible]
[illegible] on the Westerly side of the [illegible] and
Stumpy-meadow and that branch of Duck-brook
[illegible] such thereof as the
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Assessors

and then the Town made choyce of Capt Samu
to act and do in all matters relating to the
should be assisting to said agents in shewing
relating to the premisses Entered &c.

At the same meeting the Town voted
assessed by the Town Treasurer 3 pence a head for ev
ery old blackbird's head, and one penny for eve
young blackbird's head known to be such, and
pence for every old Crow's head, and 3 pence for
in that year, and until the last day of June next,

April 19, 1736 Entered per Joseph Adams Town Clerk.
At a Town meeting in Easton on the 19th day
April 1736 warned to chuse Grand Jurymen
Inferior Court of Assize and General Goal
delivery Then made choyce of Capt Samuel
Grand Jurymen &c and they then en-
ett, Cole, Israel Cole, Jr. Taylor & Josiah
ding for petit Jurymen for said Court &
also voated that Mehitable Smith should

Mehitable Smith should draw 10 pounds out of
[illegible] and the selectmen in the warrant for
calling said meeting for the town to consider the
premises, and hear and relief

[illegible] Commonwealth [illegible] and
[illegible] reasons to cause said town to be
[illegible] Mr. Nicholas Hodges [illegible] Mr.
moderator for said meeting. Then was read
Nathaniel Coan & Thomas Thomas for petitioners
for a new town. Then also read a petition
of Isaac & Samuel Freeman for dismissing peti-
tioners in the bounds of
and to join Milford [illegible]
[illegible] called Smalley's
meeting.

The town hearing received and
report of their agents, Admiral Capt.
Thomas Cushing, Esq. Ralph Smith, who
as agents by said town at a town
Eastham the 19th day of April last
present year 1775 for said behalf
to make enquiry whether there was
their complaint, and [illegible]
and flats or beach within the bounds
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] and if [illegible] due
and [illegible]
about the same.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Joseph Doane Town Clerk.

[illegible] Eastham on the 20th [illegible] both on one account and another and also to advise [illegible] at the sum of £150 be raised on the polls and estates [illegible] said one half thereof to be paid in on or before the last [illegible] of April next to the Town Treasurer and that [illegible] master at their best discretion Voted accordingly per [illegible]

Voted then Israel Cole was appointed to agree with some suitable person to sweep the meeting house and take care of the same.

At a Town meeting in Eastham warned for the Inhabitants of said town qualified as the law directs, to assemble at the middle meeting house in said Eastham on Monday the

next Octobr and the 12th Tuesday of July next pursuant to the late Act Jabez Swan & William Manchester in distinct tickets was then drawn out of the box by me Joseph Lane Town Clerk.

In Eastham the 10th day of October 1737 then every man pursuant to law Thomas Higgins his

boy to serve for petit Juryman at the C

raising money to defray the necessary ch

poles and Estates of the Inhabitants of said town the law directs by a rate to which to be made for

e part in to the Town Treasurer on or before the last day of November next and the other half on or be fore the last day of April next. Then also voted that Jabez Higgins late Constable the collection of from Isaac Mayo's Rate

At a Town meeting &c. warned for to Consider and do what might be proper in directing

voted to be given the said town Assessors, made choice of Mr. Edward Knowles for moderator for said meeting and then voted upon the Consideration of the previous Considered the great distance that [illegible]

ed with the said Courts are held at Barnstable

to attend at Courts, do humbly pray leave that

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 12th day of
[illegible] proceeded to chuse all Town Officers for the
Year. Edward Knowles Esqr was made a
[illegible]
out the North precinct having returned to them the
[illegible] proportion of money they have received towards
the Town's School master that hath not been returned
and to do what might be proper in not paying of
that precinct for the future to said Town's School
master, or to allow them their proportion of the
School master as also to do what might be proper
[illegible] Chusing an Agent to agree with the Ag
ents of Harwich about setting the Bounds of
Eastham & Harwich lands & their rights in said Com
[illegible]
in said Eastham as also to do what might
be proper about a way in the Great Neck that
[illegible]
may do the most good as proper for
Surveyors Then at said meeting the Town Officers
[illegible]
for the Year Ensuing were Chosen
For Selectmen Samuel Doane, James Mayo, Sa
muel Freeman Junr
For Selectmen & Town Clerk Nathaniel Mayo, Elisha H
ow, Elisha Cobb Junr, Richard Sparrow, Jos
eph Mayo & Joseph Atwood
For Constables Amos Snow, Richard Mayo
[illegible]
and Daniel Mayo
For Tithingmen [illegible]
[illegible]
Samuel Freeman
Junr for Eastham
For Scalers of Leather Jacob Smith, David Young,
For Surveyors of Boards Nathaniel Bridges, Nathl Sw
[illegible]
[illegible]
Jun & Samuel Cobb Jun
For Sealer of Flax William Paine
Voted that Capt Samuel Smith, Lieut Samuel
Freeman Junr be a Committee to inquire into and see how much
the North precinct in said Eastham have been
[illegible]
already returned to said N precinct, and
what they order the same out of the Town Treasury

Samuel Brewster moderator for said meeting
petition being read and Considered by
the following objections against Compli-
petition (viz.) for what the petitioners
desire allegation one half of the lands in
the Township of Eastham, and that
part of the town is settled ministry
Congregation, which said Ministers
dismissed and if the petitioners shall
settle circumstances as not able
they have engaged to perform (2ly)
petitioners ask for will take in all those
by the Great & General Court
to the Southward
Petitioners and the petitioners will
decide, and will take away said Harbour from
said ancient town (4ly) the only place said ancient town hath to sit down for fishing is Billings
gate away from said ancient town which also, so
that said town cannot without unaccountable
damage, comply to the petitioners petition so large
by said town to be entered
The petitioners having made their pleas in
relief, then voted that they were willing to grant
to come so far Southward for their
Road by Benjamin Cobb's dwelling house the
East to the Back Side sea, and so from the
sea where said brook crosses s^d Road westerly,
said fresh pond, to the Southward of Silvanus Snow's
house, and so down westerly along the middle
Hale Snow's land reserving the same
ington Billingsgate Beach p^r
le houses now stand, & getting
Billingsgate Bay & seals as herein
mentioned the dividing line will run into the
town of Eastham those families that by the

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Commissioners to the Court of Sessions praying that
[illegible] may severally have such Sums of Money as shall be a reasonable
Compensation for the Lands so taken, and the Judgment
of said Commissioners, and such other Orders & Proceedings
[illegible] as shall be necessary for said Town to make this
Act of Commissioners to said Grantees, to Vest
the same & Assigns respectively forever; & that the
said proceedings Recited that the Survey of the

Lots Northward from the Head of Blackstone
River, in such Plan or Plans as may be convenient
& Estimate of the said Lots equivalent to those
Lots in the same Division, as also so much of the
River Land over and above as will answer
Change of Lanes laid out and recording the same
in Worcester Records

Whereupon for Judgment was given
June 29th 1738 Ordered that the Sheriff summon
Persons to July Court: David Dana, Thomas Baker
[illegible]

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 7th day of
August 1738 Voted to raise money sufficient
[illegible]
upon the Inhabitants Polls & Ratable Estates
Each Proportionably according to Law [illegible]

Voted & Granted unto Grantees Persons
named in Town Plats, and also to Josiah
Hawkins and Josiah Cain (the) Grapevine
Swamp, so called, and the undivided Land
in their Purchase which Chase Dea: Edward
Bates Executors pretended Purchase the Town
to raise on the Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of said Town for the Sum aforesaid
Sum of 200 pounds one half thereof to be paid
to the Town Treasurer on or before the last day
of September next, and the other half on or before
last day of April next = Then also Granted
Samuel Deane, Samuel Deane Jun. Daniel
Samuel Hatch, Thomas Atwood & Joseph
Others or any of them to keep up a sufficient

Oct. 9.
1738

[illegible] ...ason, on the northerly side the Town Cove for [illegible]
[illegible] ...ing held in the year 1715 = Capt Samuel Knowles
chosen moderator for said meeting = then it was voted
[illegible] ...mittee to [illegible] = Voted,
in the laying out of lands in said Eastham in the
year 1715, did then lay out to Mr Thomas Smith [illegible]
[illegible]
the said John Smith & abatting said land by
virtue of an entailment as they say from their
[illegible] to them
[illegible]
[illegible] ...st Will & Testament, to the end and intent there-
fore that right & justice may be done to said
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

for said meeting = then made choyce of Mr. William

pleasure.

Daniel Mayo

At a Town Meeting in Eastham the 6th day of August 1739 warned to consider about raising

for to chosen moderator for said meeting = & then at said meeting the Town Treasurer informed the Town that there was of said Town's money in the former rates outstanding in the former Collectors hands, 22½ pounds, which was concluded would be enough for the support of the poor and pay the Schoolmaster & other Town charge the ensuing year; and therefore concluded to raise no money more on the Town for that occasion this year.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the first day of October 1739 warned to choose 2 petit Jurymen for

meeting = Thomas chosen for said

Town meeting in Eastham the 7th day of

Jurymen for the ensuing Court of Common Pleas & General Sessions of the Peace &c. Edward

to chosen moderator for said meeting = then chose

46 warned to meet in Town

Selectmen, & all other Town Officers as

ning year &c, and also

for the year, and also

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Province Lay next—

Voted that William Paine Esq, Mr Israel Otis shall

Town Treasurers accompts & precinct Treasurers

[illegible] and make report thereof at [illegible]

raising money as aforesaid.

[illegible] Ensuing Tuesday in [illegible] day of

[illegible] named to chuse a Constable to fill up the

[illegible] pass &

there always not be too much prejudicial

Samuel Norris chosen moderator for 8th

[illegible] for the ensuing year—then also considered

paines land and the land of Israel Thayer, by a

ways—none living within to turn their sheep out

[illegible] and from [illegible] to turn their sheep in—and thus to continue till

the town shall order otherways—

Considered and voted that the gates a[illegible]

[illegible] Smith, &c be continued till the town

shall order otherways—none should live within

[illegible]

to fence across the [illegible] way from the Easterly line

Jeremiah Smith's land to Capt Freeman's

land, and from Deacon Samuel Freeman's la

[illegible]

and no longer

[illegible] to consider and do what [illegible]

[illegible] relating to fencing

[illegible] Common Road between

and also across said Road between the land of D
con Samuel Freeman and the meadow land x
also the way or lane by the herring pond and i

at a Town meeting in Eastham, the 17th d
or Court of Common Pleas & General Sessions of t
ders then made choice of Capt Samuel Fr

road that passed at a Town meeting in Eas
from the 2d day of June instant for stopping up
cross the highway or Common Road between W
Wells's land and the land of Deacon Samuel
Freeman, and across the highway from Capt Fr
emans land and Jeremiah Smiths land, a
across the way by Josiah Hamblins house a
Hatchaheard, and also to allow a Convenable fo
ling gate Persons - Deacon Edward Knowle
as

was by vote of said town then dismissed and
Town proceeded to a new survey; then was made
ance of Eighteen Rod[illegible] Convenable

manner as what is proper in rectifying the Ro
that is much desired by said Freeman inasmuch
is of absolute necessity that something be done
one to rectify that mistake, that so the Road
may keep the bounds there as was intended,

of the Regulators, go to Hillsborough and see
by reason they can be obtained in a reasonable
manner, and also for them to have and
have certificate or Warrant of any person that

to Save harmless of such of them

[illegible] that may be exchanged for other medow for the use of the
[illegible] ministry there, and for such other person to give con-
[illegible] of any part of his medow to the town for the use
[illegible] ministry there and for him to exchange, to receive
[illegible] for the same and to act and do all such things
[illegible] in the premises kept harmless in giving their claim
[illegible] Not to be entered &c

[illegible] to the Town Town Clerk

[illegible] necessary changes that shall arise and also
[illegible] the former State Constables hands to assist in
[illegible] last matter, did not proceed to raise money
[illegible] at said meeting made choyce of Eph'm
[illegible] for one of the Constables for said town for
[illegible] a year

Sept. 15th 46 mannadi chuse an agent to make a deed
in said town behaly of Ebenezer Freeman of a
piece of his medow in order for said town to grant
[illegible] in Eastham and Edward Atwater chosen
moderator for said meeting and item made
choyce of Capt. So[illegible]

[illegible] to Town Town Clerk

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 13th day of
Oct. [illegible]

[illegible] of Ralph Smith for moderator for said meeting

[illegible] under grieving by the doings
of Treat to Mr. John Paine now in the right
of Mrs Smith and he complaining that in the
[illegible] committee did wrong upon Vatt
[illegible] of his said medow by taking out part

Nov. 19

Jan. 12 1710/11

a Town meeting in Eastham the 9th day of March
the law directs, as also to chuse County Treasurer
thereon, what may be proper: as also to
for chusing a Committee out of each
to proportion said town into 3 equal
= Israel Cole Esq. was
chosen moderator for s.d meeting,
to the work of the said meeting as in the
for receiving & paying out the said towns money,
Then chosen for that service Israel Cole Esq.
en Sparrow, & Jonathan Doane.
Israel Young
Thompson Joseph Hamblen William
ler, and Daniel Mayo
For Nec. Men. Deac. Jonathan Higgins, Capt Sa
muel Knowles, Samll Doane and John Freeman.
was chosen for the Committee to proportion said
into three equal parts according to the number
to have their equal parts or proportion of three

& heredi alike of the said James Scl[illegible] made p[illegible]
the quiline &c. and then for said Committee was
also Capt Samuel Prentice Samuel Freeman Esq
and Jesse Hill.

Then Samuel Freeman Jun. & Israel Cobb
[illegible] & Prentice & Samuel Freeman Esq
were Elected Assessors Town Treasurer Clerk &
in their respective offices they declare they
on the 1st day of Oct. 1740 they examined
cast said accounts & found them right
and well vouched, and there is remaining in
Treasury due to said town £135-16s.-D. which
standing in the several Constables hands £108
13s.-)
and Clerk was read & accepted

Wages for Grand Jurimen for the year ensuing
and then also made choice of Capt. Freeman
Israel Cobb, Joshua Higgins Jun. & Prentice that
petit Jurimen for the Next Court at Barnstable

Mar. 30
1741 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 30th day
of March 1741 it was voted to chuse 4 petit Jurimen for the
Superior Court of Judicature &c. then was chosen
[illegible]
then also was chosen for Grand Jurimen Capt
Samuel Freeman, Edward Freeman and
Thomas Joseph Cram Jun. Esq
[illegible]
[illegible] Eastham the 11th day
of May 1741. was made for the purpose first made choice
of Capt Samuel Prentice moderator for s[illegible]
the Town Committee that was chosen at
Town meeting March the 9th 1740/41 was read
Samuel Prentice Samuel Freeman Jun. & Jesse
district Hill, then declared under their hands in form
their dividing the said town into 4 equal parts
according to the number of families for settling
the said Schools in each particular part
a division was made by equal proportion which
said division is as follows the Northern most
part consisting of 103 families is to the north
and with the part that hath been set to the Town
was Samuel Freeman & Michael Paine's house
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] that Isaac Doane Esq. Samuel [illegible] be a Committee with one of the Selectmen of said Town to settle the Town's School master in said Middle Division so as may be most convenient for the whole respectively = It was then voted, concluded and determined that William Paine Esq. Theophilus Mayo, Benjamin Higgins, Israel Cole & Richard Sparrow shall be a Committee with one of the Selectmen of said Town to settle the Town's School master in said Northerly Division so as may be most convenient for the whole respectively = It was then also voted that said Schoolmaster the first year ensuing keep in said Northerly Division one year then next the Middle Division one year, & then in the South [illegible]

Entred per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

[illegible] Town meeting in Eastham the 18th day of [illegible] Knowles chosen moderator = pursuant to the notice given we the town then made choyce of Natha[illegible] Doane Esq. to be Town Treasurer & Collector for the ensuing year, to be Town Selectmens Agent to prosecute all persons being inhabitants in said Town of Eastham who shall at any time or times hereafter break up, or carry away any lime-stones belonging to the Town of Eastham, and to prosecute any such person or persons from Court to Court in any Court of Record [illegible] under our Seal of Agency, and the [illegible] at pleasure to revoke the same, and [illegible] to impower or agree as in his judg-

[illegible] may [illegible] best: and fully and [illegible] to act, transact [illegible], and on behalf of said town, relating to the premises, to all intents and purposes to be as valid to said town for his receipt.

[illegible] at a town meeting in Eastham the 23d day of [illegible] 1741. warned to chuse 2 good and lawful men of said town to serve as petit Jurors at the next Court of Common Pleas [illegible] as also to chuse a person to supply the vacancy made by the removal out of the Town of Richard Knowles— as also to act to consider, and do what may be proper to be done in abating Swine going at large within the limits of said town according to the Law allows Towns to do, as also to do what may [illegible] Richard Knowles hath sold to the Town Clerk [illegible] having then chosen moderator for said meeting, the Town at said meeting, chose Nathaniel [illegible]

[illegible] At a Town meeting in Eastham the 29th day of June 1741 warned to chuse a Representative to represent said town at a Great & General Court [illegible]

At a Town meeting to chuse a person to supply the vacancy made by the removal [illegible] moderator for said meeting — then made choice of Richard Knowles for Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

At a Town meeting to warned to do what might be proper to do relating Swine going at large within the [illegible] Towns Law to do with them it was considered and voted at said meeting that Swine to be allowed to go within the bounds of said town [illegible] Thomas Cobb, Joseph Doane Town Clerk.

Also for said Town to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Se
1741

for the

said meeting = then it was considered, concluded and
voted, [illegible] the sum of
£130 for the uses aforesaid, to be collected and paid
[illegible] successor as the Assessors of said Town shall order.
It was voted and is entered by me
Joseph Doane Town Clerk

"

Entered per [illegible]

Dec. 17
1741

December 1741 at the middle meeting house in Ea
[illegible] do what might
be [illegible] in Town's behalf to draw a petition to lay before the Great & Gene
[illegible] meadow ground being destroyed by the sea
flowing in upon, and covering up the same in so
great a manner with sand = and also [illegible]
[illegible] Doane
[illegible] made choice of Mr. Samuel Freeman Esq and

of the Clerk Jameson. Entitled an Act. Town Treas. Clerk

and the Town Treasurer's accompts. Israel Coleman

Treasurer

Then made

made

Isaac

and

Then made choice of Joseph Smith and Daniel

chon

Evans and Jeremiah Mayo

Then made choice of Nathaniel Briant, James

from proceeding and Saturday in the

of the meeting house in said Town especial

also at the aforesaid meeting voated [illegible]
Town Treasurer 3 pence per pound for [illegible]
and prayed grant said Town's money, [illegible]
those Select Men aforesaid and Town Clerk [illegible]
of said Treasurer accompt.
Then made choyce for Grand Jurymen [illegible]
Then made choyce for petit Jurymen Oratio[illegible]
Edmond, Jacob Hamblin, Jabez Shannon [illegible]
Samll Brown, Entered per Jos. Dean Town Clerk

[illegible]
[illegible] Court of Assize and General Gaol Delivery
[illegible]
[illegible]
unty of Suffolk to the Sheriff of Barnstable County Greeting
Whereas Israel Coleman Esqr. late one of the
Justices of our Court of Assize and General Gaol Delivery
and Justice of the Peace within our County of Barnstable
and also one of the Judges of our Inferior Court of Common
Pleas within our County of Barnstable deceased

Mar 29th 1742 We the Subscribers, being Commissioners chosen and appointed by the Town of Eastham [illegible]
[illegible] Common Meadow and upland in the
Report of said Town of Eastham should be divided and said Report after due Consideration and
dividing weighing all Circumstances that occurred to us
Commissioners do we have concluded and proposed as
Barnstable aforesaid viz: That all the Common Meadow and
upland, within said Town of Eastham [illegible]
aforesaid, [illegible] and divided, as near as the
nature of the same will admit, in shares, either Six
Score, Eighty, or One hundred & Sixty Rods in Breadth
as they lye, and Commence at the Creek
to the Causeway there they shall Cease to
run any Longer [illegible]
now as the Case shall be Said Town
reserving for other uses and improvements
and that all those persons who Shall Draw
or Divide said Lands Shall Draw their
Lots [illegible] one Equal Share to each
Proprietor that has Purchased and Settled
upon Said Lands in the Town of Eastham from the East Creek
now called Said Eastham [illegible]
Bay and is an Entire Island
[illegible]

and equall division of said medow and Plain
there be a Committee of Six judicious persons ch
to take a survey of the whole of said Commons
Meadow & Land, & Settle bounds with all persons th
have lots adjoyning to the aforesaid Commons,
and also to lay out and make some addition to
the medow already laid out for the use of the min
istry in each part of said Town, and to ma
ke them all as equall as may be, and to lay out
a convenient

At a Town meeting in
Enfield held at the
Middle meeting house
of March 1742 by
adjournment from the first day of said March

John Pitch
Samuel Knowles
Sam[l]. Freeman
Samuel Smith

[illegible] already been improved for that use, shall still be [illegible] improved for that use.

It was Resolved that Capt. Samuel [illegible] be a Committee to draw a list of the names of all persons that are to have shares in the new division of lands and meadows or any other [illegible] adjournment of this meeting.

It was voted that Lieut. [illegible] Capt. Samuel Smith & Lieut. Samuel [illegible] be the Committee, that is the major part of them to lay out said Town Common meadow, and [illegible] land, as already laid out and staked to [illegible] out, and the said bounds with [illegible]

It was Voted that if a sufficient number of qualified persons shall not be found to draw shares of said land, that the division be made [illegible]

[illegible] Great Marshfield to whom [illegible] at Chiffins Island at Public vendue, [illegible] them, that such purchasers [illegible]

[illegible] said vendue until the first day of October, [illegible] accounting from time to time at full value.

Voted that Master [illegible] the Committee [illegible] [illegible] to act with their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Entred per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

Jan. 1742 mr. Benjamin Snow chosen
Treasurer and then also made choice of Salomon Pepper Elenzer Ke
ing particulars — Capt Samuel Knowles chosen to
pounds lawful money to defray the necessary charges arising in said town for the year current, the
inhabitants of said town — Then voted that the Committee about the Common meadow, viz — 2 days a
Treasury, to be allowed out of said Treasury to Capt Samuel Knowles 12s for so much he expended at
Boston about the Billingsgate Beach Act, and to allow Capt Samuel Smith 4=15 old tenor
money for keeping x wife,

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 2d day of January 1742, named to consider and do what is
necessary to be done about the Common meadow — Then made choice of Capt Samuel Knowles moderator for said meeting — Then made choice of Ebenezer Freeman Jun. & Samuel Freeman Jun. a
committee to account with the heads of the Common
meeting — Then at said Town meeting concluded & voted to raise 40 pounds lawful money with
in Eastham, for to defraying the necessary charges arising in s town the year current: Then

so voted that the said Samuel Freeman Jun. Esq. Capt. Smith & Joseph Doane be allowed & satisfied for their time spent in drawing

[illegible] Voted that Master Capt. Samuel [illegible]

[illegible] Mitchell wife in her deliberations

[illegible] Freeman exhibited at Boston about the [illegible] Bill in regard to the Court house also that a Committee about the Common pasture viz William Paine Esq. John Rich, Capt. Saml. Freeman Samuel Freeman Jr. Capt. Samuel Snow Capt. Samuel Doane are Committee are allowed &c. which Committee Smith, the other Committee be allowed £20 a piece for one day, a piece they spent in the Service. Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

1742 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 11th day August 1742 warned to consider and do what is necessary to expect Capt. Samuel Knowles [illegible]

[illegible] as he can (except what the town may do) [illegible] from said town to the Province Scheme then voted that the Committee [illegible] Bay 40s. to Capt. Samuel Knowles, Samuel Freeman Jr. give up [illegible] which should be paid [illegible]

[illegible] of the Common pasture in Eastham [illegible] said town and put all in the next Town meeting.

Entered per Joseph Doane Town Clerk

1742 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 11th day [illegible] to consider and do what is necessary

[illegible]

on said Common meadow or Sedge ground in said Eastham until five of the clock P. M. [illegible]

shall be alowed to use or improve more than one scythe or mare that one mower in his right, or one own right nor to cut or cause to be cut any grass or hay for the actual use & improvement of that have a right to cut on said Common aforesaid to former order; and whosoever cuts or improves contrary to these instructions, the said lessees & town shall assist them in said prosecution at the charge and cost thereof, and also that on said Common and after such prosecution is over and finished, if any such there be within three months or less, if desired, the town shall deliver (on the said surrendering up their lease to said town and paying the money due to said town in their hands) deliver to said lessees their [illegible] and gaile [illegible] year to cut the little flat of Sedge called the [illegible] year for their share of Common [illegible] and not to cut this year on any of the other [illegible]

to be a Committee to settle the bounds between the Common meadow and the land of [illegible]

[illegible] Common meeting in Eastham the 12th Octr 1742 warned to draw 2 petit Jurimen [illegible] were chosen moderator then was drawn out of the box for said Jurimen, Edmund Freeman Joseph Hay.

At a Town meeting in Eastham the 4th [illegible] 1742 warned for [illegible] except Capt Samuel Knowles was moderator for said meeting, then it

and Committed about and Concerning the said Estate
[illegible]
by the heirs of said John Smith dec[d] and about ready
[illegible]
Town meeting in order for Conformation

Feb 2[d] Entered from Joseph Dean Town Clerk
1742/3 At a Town Meeting Legally Warned and Examined the 2[d] day of
February 1742/3 Voted & Chose 2 Grand Jurymen
for the ensuing year and 2 petit Jurymen for the Ensu
[illegible]
Then Drawn out of the [illegible]
[illegible]

Mar[ch] 14 At a Town Meeting Legally Warned & Held March the 14th day
1742/3 of March 1742/3 Voted & Chose all Town Officers
for the year ensuing — Then made choice of Capt Sa
muel Knowles for moderator for said meeting.
Then at said meeting Joseph Deane was chosen
Town Clerk
Then Samuel Freeman was chosen Town Treasurer
Then John Freeman, Stephen Sparrow and Jonath
an Deane were chosen Assessors.
Then Capt Samuel Knowles, Samuel Deane and
[illegible]
[illegible]
Then John Cole Jun[r], Prince Collins and Stephen
[illegible] were chosen Selectmen.
And Nathaniel Hays Daniel Smith, and Sa
muel Hays were chosen Constables.
Then Robert Young, William Knowles and Wil
liam Lewis were chosen Constables.
[illegible]
Deane Esq[r], Samuel Freeman & Shearjashub [illegible]
Then chose for Sealers of Leather, Joseph Smith &
Simeon [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Then Chose for Hogreeves Nathaniel Deane, Ge
orge Strach and Edward Knowles.
[illegible]

to the number of their inhabitants qualified as above
said town to send part of the above said Representa-
tive by ballot and grant, and that
said grant-thereof accordingly.

William Paine.

Samuel Smith
Silvenus Smith

Commons land, meadow and Sedge ground, thereon
to act and accomplish as in said above recited act of the
Court recorded and is according thereunto and recor-
ded

Gentlemen pay out to Richard Paine Servant

Love he had of Jesse Smith, that was formerly ha
ved out to Thomas Smith for pasture plaintiff

May 1743 warned to choose a Representative
to serve at the Great & General Court to be held
at Boston on the 26th of this instant. & Capt
Edward Hamlen was duly chosen Representa-
tive by vote as the law directs.

Jonathan Young a Committee man to joyn
with the rest of the Committee to act and do what
as said Committee was to do about and con-
cerning the undivided Lands, meadow & sedge ground
in said Eastham.

until the time the Select

1743

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by the Lessees the Summ in mentioned Value of £1 = 11 = 06

Oct 10
1743

Mar 12
17[illegible]

Then made choyce of Samuel Freeman for Town Cle

yee for Surveyors of Ways — Nathan
o. Samuel Higgins Jun Jeremiah Smith

Town Ship Accounts

[illegible] Made Choice for Town Officers
At a Town Meeting the 12th day
Warned to Chuse a Grand Juriemen for
[illegible]
Clerk for said Meeting -
[illegible]
At a Town Meeting held Eastham the 14th day
[illegible] Constables this present year for
[illegible]
having in their Rates and Taxes, it is concluded
that said Town shall be obliged to pay, and said
Constables obliged to gather in, said Constables shall
be allowed out of said Town's Treasury 4 pence in
express or set forth - that is to say: in old Tenor,
provided and on Condition said Constable
shall pay in and issue perfect bills or their
[illegible]
are obliged to do, that then such Constables
[illegible]
Voted at said meeting, Mr. Benjamin Smith
be allowed for his keeping School for said Town
[illegible] the Sum of £100 in old tenor
[illegible]
Voted that James Otis Esq. shall be paid out
of the Town's Treasury the Sum of £5 in old Tenor
[illegible]
the Town in said Town.
Voted also and Accepted that Thomas Mayo
of the Town's Treasury 45 Shillings & 4p in
Town Notes due to him.

for said meeting :— then also made choyce of
Nathaniel Doane & Stephen Sparrow for Grand
July 23 Jurymen
1744 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 23d day

— then voted to raise £20 money of the new
tenor and rates of the ratable inhabitants
of the town of Eastham, to defray the charges a-
rising in said Town the year Current — the one ha-
the last day of Novr next, and the other half

then at s meeting viz — July 23d 1744 Geo: Brown
precinct in Eastham (Capt. Samuel Smith Tho-
mas chosen at last March Sn meeting refus-
ing to serve) hence being present — said meeting ad-
August next to the Middle Meeting house in
Eastham at 2 of the Clock in the afternoon, to

1744 at a Town meeting in Eastham the 23d day
for Jurymen for the next Court of Com
and General Sessions of the Peace &c

1744 at a Town meeting in Eastham the 23d day
1744 Nominated to choose 2 men yr &
Jurors for the year ensuing, viz Dea. Samuel
then drawn out of the box for petit Jurors &

the next Court at Salem — Christian Resolved
Nicholas Higgins —

[illegible] Josiah Crane [illegible]

the ensuing year as the law directs, and for that
to receive the report of the Selectmen of said Town
& grant several inns in said town — Joseph Fo
Esqr. moderator for said meeting — and then
sealed & declared choice Nathaniel Freeman
Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
Then made choice of Sam[l] Freeman for Town
Then made choice of Thomas Knowles, Joshua
Gibbons and Jeremiah Hayes for Selectmen.

[illegible]

Hayes and Joseph C. Hayes, Joshua Freeman
and Richard Hamilton for Selectmen of Harwich
Then made choice of Benjamin Higgins and
Eli Sears for Sythingmen

[illegible]

Then made choice of Solomon Snow for Sealer
of Leather and Shingles,
Then made choice of Ebenr Freeman Jun. Hog

[illegible]

[illegible] Hayes for Sealer of Weights
and Measures.

[illegible]

[illegible]

home to said Smiths purchase so as will come even or abreast with Nathaniel Smiths dwelling house Samt. Knowles

Dated at Eastham March 2d. 1744/5 Nathaniel Mayo Selectmen

A note was called and past in the negative.

Also then the petition of the widow Martha [illegible] was read, was read and voted to be granted.

[illegible] of May 1745 warned to make choice of a suitable man to serve in the room of Jeremiah Mayo the

1745 At a Town meeting in Eastham the 20 day of May 1745, warned to chuse a Representative to serve for and represent said Town at the Great and General Court &c and also for said town to consider and do what might be thought proper to be done respecting the Town School Then chose Dea. Samll [illegible] for the purpose. Then the Town made choice of Capt. Samuel Knowles to represent the town at the Great & General Court at Boston, then also voted to chuse a Committee to consider and draw up something as they shall think proper in order to [illegible] Court [illegible] adjournment of said meeting. The town then made choice of Wm. Paine Esq. Mr. Samll Smith for said Committee. Then said meeting adjourned (adjourned) to the middle meeting house in Eastham on Monday the 3d day of June next at 3 of the clock in the afternoon

At the above adjournment on the 3d day of June 1745 Wm. Paine Esq. and Capt. Samll Smith [illegible] settling the School, which were read & [illegible]

sent at the Superior Court of Common Pleas the
day and year of the Jury for Petit Jurymen for said County
Silvanus Swan, Moses Bullock, Willard Stanley and
Samuel Sawin

Petit Jurors - Benjamin Huggins, Foreman

and voted to raise the sum of one hundred
thousand, and that the expenses for said town
meeting make a rate on the polls and estate
of the taxable inhabitants of said town, and
last day of April next, to be paid unto as the
Treasurer for the use aforesaid
Petit Jurors Samuel

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